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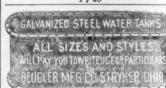
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John Gould of Ohio, in speaking of factices in another State, states that farmers were feeding their cows on hay at a cost of fifteen cents a day, while three cents' worth of corn ensilage will perform exactly the same office. Now, John doesn't really mean to deceive—he is only at fault with his mathematics. If he compares corn ensilage at the cost of production with hay, he must figure his hay also at cost of production. That's what's the trouble with John's feeding cows with arithmetic.

THE CODLIN MOTH.

It has generally been supposed that the life history of the common codlin moth was well understood. It seems, of the fruit. Prof. Slingerland of Cornell, however, has called attention to an error here. He has found that the moth does not lay its eggs in the calyx of the young fruit. They are laid on the surface of the fruit, and there hatch out. The larvæ then crawl into the calyx for shelter and hiding place, where they begin to eat as all along has been supposed. Some of them find a hiding place

way into the fruit.

Prof. Washburn of the Oregon station onfirms the above view in regard to the eggs being deposited on the skin of the A. Cochrane from the principal markets freezes. Still later, Prof. Card of the Ne of Great Britain give butter markets as These are the only rules that the great then we laid off the land in beds two slumbers. Towards the Fall we sow there and everywhere, all at the same In order to answer this question it is braska station claims that he finds the eggs almost exclusively laid on the upper but the increased demand has been can agree upon, and the only ones that one and a half rods on the bottom plat. warface of the leaves of the tree. In all largely on finest fresh arrivals. Held we can rely upon as being correct; all We back-furrowed several times, drag-completely filled from row to row with packing-house, superintending the packthe observations made in 1897, he found goods are clearing up. Finest Australian others, which by far constitute the larger ging them down after each plowing, with the net-work of roots. but two laid on the surface of the fruit. continues to bring 21@22c for finest part, must be learned in the schools of the spring-tooth, and finally finished with In a wet season it will be impossible that the crates are being carefully han-The young larva is a lively little fellow fresh landed parcels. Danish and French experience. Natural qualifications, as the road-machine and brush-harrow. to get this great root system, as the dled; at the desk, answering correspond- and of which we and begins at once to sourry round for a are higher. Better markets are looked well as natural advantages, are necessary These beds were made up just the same roots will then spread out near the sur-Miding place and for something to eat.

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THESE THINGS DO! struction of this insect. They show there is not so much hurry about the work as formerly has been supposed. Any time before the calyx cups close together is early enough. Some have contended that the proper time to spray was while the tree was in blossom. The bee keepers have objected to this and some States have passed laws prohibiting spraying till after the petals have fallen This conflict of interests will be settled by these later facts.

VALUE OF A GOOD COW.

Here is a morsel from Gurler's book on dairying. "The cow that makes 250 pounds of butter costs 200 pounds for food, and leaves 50 pounds for profit. The cow that gives 300 pounds costs about the same for food and leaves 100 pounds profit, or about twice as much as the 250, and is worth twice as much. A 350 pound cow is worth three times as much as the 250 pound cow, and six times as much as a 225 pound cow. This is supposing that one cow consummuch as the other."

We don't like such an illustration August 1st, and has now reached TEN and plainly for the reason that it is un-THOUSAND copies weekly. The pub- sound and therefore misleading. We have seen many similar statements in regard to the same problem before Mr. Gurler published the above. We believe a reasonable statement would be far more convincing to a cow owner, hence more effective in turning attention to the superior value of the best animals We may be old-fashioned, but in all these agricultural matters the truth was always good enough illustration for us.

A cow giving 225 pounds butter is according to the above reasoning the 350 pound cow would be worth \$180. Such a calculation takes no account of anything but the product. There is a hazard in the ownership of every cow. This hazard discounts from the value otherwise recognized. Here the invest ment risk alone is six times as great with the best cow as valued with the poorer, The life hazard is certainly in no less proportion. In the day of the Jersey boom bull calf of a fancy line of breeding, which was refused. The would-be purchaser stated at the same time that if there were a safe live stock insurance company he would pay three thou-Gentleman of "wanted to buy Baldwin than half the useful value of the anapples of the producer at \$4 the barrel," imal, or as 3 to 2. Applying this brought only one response, Evidently Baldwins are scarce.

Applying this business, and this will not only apply to the strawberry business but to every business and occupation of life.

We appreciate a good cow and recogonly good ones may be retained. An extravagant illustration of the advantages of such a course however, is more least something about his business.

WIDE TIRES.

The Missouri station is still at work on wide tire problems. We tried a wide tire experiment on our own farm last good to sell, inasmuch as its fine quality year. We had always used five inch tires on our farm carts. A year ago the wheels on one cart needing repairs, it was decided to discard them and go the wide tire experiment one better. Accordingly a new outfit entire was built with six inch rims to the wheels. The mprovement in the work of the wheels on the soft lands of the farm is surprising, and of course most satisfactory. The heavy loads now ride over the rough furrows and soft sward in appearance almost as a boat floats on the water. ecommend a change to the wide tires.

moth was well understood. It seems, however, from further research recently made that there were some things about this little pest of the orchard that had not been learned. We have been taught that the moth lays its eggs in the calyx of the young fruit, where in time it hatches and bars its way to the centre of the fruit. Prof. Silneavied of Corrections of the fruit. Prof. Silneavied of Corrections of the finit. Prof. Silneavied of Corrections the Maine Farmer's proposition for an interstate dairy exhibit to include the three northern New England States, the Massachusetts Ploughman thinks all New England should be included and the show held at some "central point, like Boston." Look on the "Hub," but it takes a long spoke to reach Houlton, Claremont or St. Albans. The question the Maine Farmer wants settled first is between these three States, and there are reasons for the suggestion that the other States are not conerned in .- Manchester Union.

The Farmer is not a stickler for location, the one object being to secure an exhibition where the butter from Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, and other New England States if desired, may go under the eye of one judge at the same cover under a leaf that lays over a time and under the same conditions. growing fruit, and others between two The Farmer having set the ball in mofruits touching each other. From these tion proposes to hold on until the fact is Positions also, they begin to eat their demonstrated that our butter makers lead the procession.



Maine State Pomological Society.

WINTER MEETING.

Last week the Maine Farmer contained a full report of the lands and Lovetts; using Beder Woods to would induce early fruiting, just what worth at the present time \$30. Then addresses of the first day of the meeting at North Jay, and at this fertilize Warfield and Lovett to fertilize we don't want. time presents the gist of the discussions and closing essays.

Strawberries.

ERNEST W. WOOSTER, HANCOCK POINT, MAINE. For twelve years I have been a most

use. I have a seedling from the Haverwould not be appreciated in the open They are of medium size but very pro-

ductive. So much for the strawberry. Its Culture. The first and most important lesson to be learned in the culture of the strawberry is the fact that the berry plant is a The added cost is but a trifle while the living thing, just as much as your cow, dvantage is great. To every farmer we your horse, your sheep or your hens, or any other animal that you may have, and subject to the same laws in regard to months. Speaking of the Maine Farmer's prop- feed, treatment and care. The organ-

isms of life differ bilities are not so high, but the same grand law which regulates and governs one life regulates and governs the other. Conditions vary so much in different parts of the country and even in the down a complete set of rigid rules in any locality. There are only two rules upon which all the great experts seem to be well agreed; "Good cultiva- after profit. tion and good fertilization," but even in

tivation The rules to follow are: 1st, Good Cultivation.

2d, Good Fertilization. can get your ground ready. 4th, Mulch the season of fruiting.

garden. Any one ought to be able to do that who can grow garden vegetables; but I am speaking more particularly about the business when conducted on a large scale-in growing strawberries by studious student trying to comprehend the acre and by the thousands of quarts. all I possibly could about the culture of In doing a business of large proportions the strawberry with the conditions as the demand for those natural qualities they existed with me, and I now feel comes in. First, one should thoroughly we heard a Jersey fancier offer \$1200 for a that there is much more outside than like the business, be a great lover of nawithin my knowledge pertaining to the ture and delight to study her laws, be

> will commend themselves only to a that fruits the second year from seed, being gathered a few hours, but we of a strawberry plant or variety has not environments, and my observation has quite fully convinced me that it cannot be expected to much exceed 25 years.

conditions that are and will exist, and at season fully one ton to the acre. the smallest cost. In other words we

these they disagree as to what con- years for this planting and had selected kept going at that depth as long in the many trials which surround us. They ries of fine quality. Maine berries have stitutes good fertilization and good cul- two plats of woodland, second growth, Fall as growth continues. This method expect choice berries delivered in fine already established a reputation in Bos-3d, Plant in the Spring as early as you have this done. The plants cost about berry patch. It is a system that works invested, and we feel that we must prothe land after the brush is burned about lating-which will pump water and give called upon to give our personal atten- has been satisfied, we can send the bal-5th, Winter protection where the ground \$75 per acre. The stump piles were food to the thirsty and hungry plants tion to almost every detail, trusting but ance that we may have to dispose of to burned as soon as they became dry and while you are enjoying your peaceful little to our best man. We must be here, Boston or other markets?

Haverland, setting one row of the in the rows, carefully spreading out the ties much inclined to rust, such as Par-

by a pressure of the hands. The upland patch we tried to have all prepared the Fall before planting, so there would be but little delay in getting plants set after the ground was in proper business. By this I do not wish you to understand that this apparent lack of knowledge was wholly due to my incapacity to comprehend the teachings of the business. By this I do not wish you to one of great courage and perseverance, and a man of great strength of will power. It is very necessary that he should thoroughly understand human nature, and brush down the beds. Upland prepared this way the Fall before contributions. company he would pay three thou-sand dollars for the animal. In this of experience, but to give emphasis to be able to form correct opinions of a worked in the Spring just as soon as the case the hazard to him was more than half the useful value of the animal or as 3 to 2. Applying this so as to give a good start and have them There seems to be a great lack of well rooted before the summer drought worth only \$72. This is probably nearer her real value to the dairyman than the In its domesticated state no berry general in regard to what a strawberry In fact, it's just what we want, if our 2000 qts. from upland patch at average Having urged the dairy and fruit inextravagant claim made by Mr. Gurler has been so much improved in size plant really is. It is generally regarded soil is deep. This great cry for water! and productiveness, and there are culti- as a biennial-a plant lasting but two water!! water!! which some fruit he directed to the meat making possibilities of our down East farmers. There is nize its superior value. We would at our down East farmers. There is nize its superior value. We would at the wild ones in this respect; something all times urge attention to the important ones of the wild ones in this respect; something the second, after which it strawberry I don't join in with. They hard to say of the cultivated ones twenty years ago. A good commercial the conclusion may be practically cor- want it, but we much prefer to water berry must, necessarily, be a firm berry must, necessarily, plant in regard to its term of life is enwant it, but we much prefer to water our plants from the reservoir of the soil plant in regard to its term of life is enwith the cultivator, hoe and mulch, repulsive than convincing to the average cow owner who already knows at which are fine even before fully ripe, variety. It is an evergreen ground shrub obliged to last Summer here in Maine.

be one of ordinary quality. Those tirely wrong. The life of a strawberry than to be obliged to take it in such As the lowland patch will not be in home or near-by market and for family and then each year after on the wood of condition to set till about a month later the previous season's growth. That's we heel the plants intended to be used land with the Triumph, that is really too nature's plan. Man, by interruption of here in a cold-frame where the soil is nature's laws, can induce it to fruit on very rich and fine, Bubach with Beverly, older wood, but not, as I maintain, with and Princeton Chief with Parker Earle. market against its appearance after the best results. The real length of life When the ground is ready to receive the plants they are transferred from the know well how to appreciate them in yet been fully determined. The length frames to the beds, set the same as the our family, and we also have a few local of its life of profitable culture depends others. While setting, the roots of the customers who have found them out and much upon the natural strength of the plants are never allowed to get dry, and will have no others as long as they last. variety, the method of propagation, its we try to avoid dry, windy days, setting neatly in the P. M.

the crust broken and the weeds down. How We Plant and Care for an Acre of

As the runners commence to grow, train pearance and always in a way least exseeming inability to mature the fruit set, along the rows the way the cultivator Now that we have outlined the straw-runs and assist them to take root. After berry subject somewhat let us see if we the plants have matted a row about one for them as far as possible. have learned enough to plant an acre of foot wide with plants from four to six It Must be Borne in Mind, that to Grow a It demands plenty of room for each the "Planet Jr.," and thereafter keep Our market is such that it appreciates all runners cut as soon as they grow. fancy fruit, or in other words, we cater Sow the phosphate when there is no from the animal, and their sensi- for that trade and take the other only wind and the plants are dry along the your metal, try your generalship, and any variety that I know of and yet give when we are obliged to. On this acre of rows before each cultivation, using the prove whether you are equal to all the a fairly good yield. However, it is not ground we want to grow the greatest potato brand which has a greater per emergencies that are sure to arise. From in our line of most profitable varieties, crop of fancy berries possible under the cent. of potash. We put on during the this acre we should have from 100 to so we discarded it some five years ago.

> bottom land with same kind of slope is the most practical irrigating and food- receive them thus our reputation suffers. is pretty well settled. The next quesonly to the North. It cost \$50 to gathering system to be given the straw-\$25, making the entire cost of preparing automatically—self-acting and self-regu- tect it at all hazards. To do this we are home consumption at profitable prices

artificial covering to protect. I say od we can grow the largest average artificial covering, because Nature's sized berries, the best formed berries, covering is snow and most decidedly the best in quality inasmuch as the firmest berries grown by any method t is the best non-conductor of any we have ever tested. substance known.

or little trees. The little trees from we grow these more for reputation than three to twelve feet tall are the for direct profit. As this is our hobby better, as they are great to catch and branch of the strawberry business, we hold the snow. To make them lay have tried very hard to develop it to a where they are put, trim off the limbs high standard, to grow the largest and from one side and lay that side down best crop of berries at the smallest posext the ground. We cover both patches sible cost, and to this end have experiwith this material; but before we put it mented very largely. It is really a trade on the lowland we cover between rows by itself, and to become proficient one with salt hay or straw. This is to hold must needs have much experience. We the plants back somewhat so that they feel certain that it is the only practical will fruit a little later than if covered and profitable way to fruit plants the with boughs alone. In the Spring, just next season after that seed set in the is soon as the freezing nights are over, late Summer or Autumn, and this methwhen the green foliage begins to lift up, od of growing the strawberry cannot be we take off the covering from the upland generally advised. plot, and sow on one fourth ton of potato fertilizer just before a rain; and then cultivate lightly once a week till well inkill by ice making over them. Along to blossoming, then put on one ton of where the rows are going to be we sowed straw, working it well up under the sides 10 lbs of Cumberland Corn Fertilizer to of the rows of plants. On the lowland a row and work this in with the "Planet plot we leave the brush on about two Jr.," 12-tooth. The rows were three weeks later, when it is taken off and feet apart and were made as straight as phosphate put on as on the other, only we could draw a line. The upland plat there is no cultivation or disturbing of his selection may be, they should be from we set to Beder Wood, Warfields, Haver-the hay or straw mulch, something which

Unless we spray with Bordeaux Mixstaminate to two of the pistillate. In ture there is no more expense till picksetting the plants we use a mason's ing time. We should use it if there were trowel, setting the plants two feet apart much wet weather, even on those varieroots fan-shape, against the back side of ker Earle, Beder, Wood and Warfield. the excavation, then pushing the earth Our experience in spraying one season, back against them, firming them well in has given us reasons to hope that under some circumstances it will pay to spray. Now, before we go any further, let us clearly evident that the larger proportion

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figures do not present such a veritable "Klondike Gold Field" as most of the the value of a variety in any locality in "Model Acre" plots, but nevertheless I regard to its fruiting ability, but the nafeel that they speak the truth. Most ture of the soil and seasons has an effect writers on the strawberry subject make not to be overlooked. It would be as the great mistake in bolstering up the unreasonable to expect any variety of receipt side to its highest possible limit. strawberry to fruit well every year, even A normal expense we are always sure of, though weather and soil conditions are and by certain unexpected events it often exceeds our expectations; while on the years as often as the apple tree. By givother hand, there are always certain coning the strawberry high culture and niptingencies which will greatly reduce our ping off the blossoms from the plants expected receipts. It is always wisdom that grow, the plants which are for fruitwhen computing to give a liberal allowance for these contingencies. There has break up this natural tendency. not been a single year since I have been Cultivate as often as necessary to keep in the strawberry business, but what in Maine for general field culture, would these contingencies have made their appected. I now look for them yearly as but we find if we give it the treatment it a matter of course, and try to provide requires it is the most profitable variety

Good Crop of Berries and Get them Ready for the Pickers Does not Include

nearly 1000 qts. to be gathered daily to While there may not be so many vari-In a dry season we cultivate about the close of the season. In order to eties that will succeed as well in Maine same sections that it is impossible to lay want to do every thing we can to that three inches deep making a dust mulch gather this fruit in the best shape we as in those States which have a milder patch which will add to the profit side of that depth, obliging the main roots must have from one to twenty pickers climate, we know that there are enough which will have a general application and nothing more. Bear in mind that to go below that depth for the water. each day, as, owing to weather condi. of the very best which will succeed here, we are not after experience in this case, As the Fall rains set in we cultivate tions and other circumstances we are of. and succeed wonderfully. Judging from we are supposed to have had that, but more shallow, that the fine roots may ten obliged to gather our fruit in a very all I have seen and heard, I should uncome nearer the surface but not nearer short time. Our customers are fastidi- hesitatingly say that Maine was second We have been looking ahead two than one inch; cultivation should be ous, exacting and not considerate of the to no other State in producing strawberof one-third acre each; one on upland, of cultivation in a dry season will give shape each day regardless of all weather ton market, at least those coming from sloping gently to the South; the other cn the plants an immense root system, and conditions, and if they do not always certain sections of Maine. That much

ing and shipping; at the station, seeing in Maine a certain commodity which

mes and there is danger of injury to as an average price for all the strawberthe plants by alternate freezing and ries that I could grow by this method I thawing of the ground, we put on some would use it altogether. By this meth-

Our trade for these fancy berries, at The best artificial protection we the price we can afford to grow them, is find available are evergreen boughs limited to about 3000 quarts yearly, and

We have altogether too many varieties. They go up into the hundreds, and yet the really good ones, that one can afford to grow here in Maine, if he is growing for fruit alone, can be counted upon the fingers of both hands. What those varieties shall be every man should deter those that have been well tested in the State, and have a record with the "upper tens." "Go slow" with all novelties, no matter who recommends them, unless you have time and money to throw away on experimenting. Among the many

new varieties introduced every year under the highest rating, only a few are and not a chance of one in fifty of becoming generally popular enough to supersede the best standards. It is of these new varieties are sent out by those who trust to their ability to defend their reputation for honesty by the many excuses they can present when the truth regarding the value of the variety be-

omes well known. I have caught two this winter "red handed" at their work, and came very near catching the third one. This third one, instead of sending out a new variety. is sending out one that was introduced four years ago under a new name; but there is one thing in his favor, it is offered on about as easy terms as the 600 00 duty to publicly expose these parties, I tory warranty from all those who intro-

> It takes more than one season to test favorable, for they must have their off ing the next season, we, in a measure

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BEE NOTES.

For the Maine Far WINTERING BEES IN THE CELLAR.

BY REV. C. M. HERRING If the conditions are all right the cel-

lar is the best place to winter bees. The question then arises, what are the proper conditions?

The cellar should be dry and free from filth and decaying vegetation. It should be ventilated often and kept dark. It is not well to have much pounding and and furnish the necessary means to start noise around the hives. The temperature should be kept even, at about 38 or 40° above zero. The hives should be raised several feet above the bottom of ers. But he was not prepared to say the cellar and kept secure from the work | that it was now called for. of mice. It is well to have several blankets over the brood nest to absorb the President to give his views upon the moisture, and over these blankets, ample matter, said that he had given the subrentilation to carry off the steam. long as the bees are still they should be first brought forward a year ago. The profoundly let alone; but when any hive usefulness of such an organization is noisy it should be set outside, on some disposing of our fruits, rightly handled, warm day, when the temperature is 50° he fully believed in. But to secure what or more above zero, and let them have a was needed called for some capital, and

middle of December and set them out their support to the matter. As the be safely done with my double wall future, the need of an organization would hives; but with the common thin wall become more pressing and he feared we hives it would be unsafe to leave them must wait for that time. out so late, and put them out so early, they are profoundly still.

hardly know what it is to lose bees in in Liverpool to look after the market, wintering, and they winter on a small report sales, and report requirements

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life, the supply is so inexhaustible and we receive from abroad is clear profit to such an industry should be encouraged to the extent of the limit of individual profit. If there is any one present who has not yet guessed what this commodity is, it is better for me not to tell him, because the longer he is gathering in the fact the more indelibly will it be stamped upon his mind.

There are some farmers in Maine who seem to think that they can afford to PROF. W. M. MUNSON, UNIVERSITY OF grow hay for five mills per pound, which after being well cured has only a very food for most of our domestic animals,

The strawberry contains, in the condi-sirable that it should do so. tion we place it upon the market, from 95 to 98 per cent, of water, so the chemist tells us. Now if we can sell a pound quire into the specific needs of the restandard quart of this fruit, for ten cents | the station and to adopt a policy in acwe are selling the strawberries for twen-ty times the price of the hay, pound for still remember that the demand for im-

which in one sense represents no value whatever to us, against that which represents a value to us, almost if not really equal the price we receive for it. When we are selling a pound of hay we are selling about, at a rough guess, fifty times more chemical value than we are those principles rather than in conducting when we are selling a quart of strawberries. Are not these fearful facts for us o consider?

This is one side of the picture, so to in Maine, one season with another, and farmers. getting them ready for shipment could not be reduced much below five cents be grown for nearly that. The express to one cent per quart.

Thus it can be seen that berries must abor. You see it is rather an expensive way to bottle water.

If I should say whether I thought who are likewise engaged. purely an expression of an opinion, and those varieties, is not properly speaking rather than to give expression to this experimentation. Not that I would one form his own opinion.

trade were made Maine ought to be able Experiment Station. to consume, at paying prices to the growers, double the amount of strawberries it now does. This will surely be First of all we may speak of so if the times brighten up in the near future to the point that is generally an-

Under the present tariff regulations we have many parts of the Provinces to compete with in all our of varieties and forms under cultivation perries further West than Massachusetts unless we can have refrigerator cars and fast freights. These I cannot see coming in the very near future. Besides all this, it must be considered that the business throughout the whole country has of late received a great impetus. It is safe to say, three years ago, and that it will be

Fruit Growers' Union.

inder much better average cultivation.

Mr. F. S. Adams of Bowdoin, took up the task of presenting extempore the ong talked of matter of a fruit growers' union, or an organization to provide for aid in disposing of the crops of apples that it is expected will be produced in this State. The paper reviewed the situation, referred to the need of some different arrangement for handling our fruit on its way to market, and suggested ways in which such an organization might serve the interests of growers.

The paper was listened to with atten tion. Mr. Pope being called upon, called attention to the indifference to this subject on the part of the growers, and he feared they were not quite ready to unite the business.

Mr. S. H. Niles of Jay. Believes that an organization would aid the fruit grow-

Mr. Z. A. Gilbert being called upon by So ject careful consideration since it was he very much doubted whether growers I put my bees in the cellar about the were yet ready to come forward and give about the middle of March. This can crop of fruit increases, as it will in the

Prof. Cook, in common with others unless they have protection. I think my who have expressed themselves, quesbees are wintering nicely this year for tioned whether growers are yet ready to take hold of the matter. But could not In observing the above conditions I an organization be made to put an agent | called for. This would post all hands

MAINE STATE POMOLOGICAL SOCIETY. as to what was called for in the market. Mr. Knowlton-A year ago, this question came up and he read a which is absolutely necessary to support paper on this matter, and viewed the matter from a business standpoint. Has self-supplying that it is impossible for talked with many fruit growers and has us to sell ourselves short. Every dollar failed up to the present time to find any considerable number who are ready to Maine. Now with this most stupendous take hold of the matter, hence he is fact staring us in the face it should need sorry to be obliged to believe that we no argument to convince every one that must go along as we are doing till we feel the necessity of taking steps to correct the situation.

Mr. Andrews has been interested in this movement. He was obliged to coincide with ideas expressed that the grow ers were not yet ready for it.

Experimental Horticulture.

MAINE.

The type of work in the various Ex small per cent. of water, while its solids periment Stations will naturally vary contain all the fertilizing elements in and rightly so; since the stations are about the right proportion for all vege- founded for the express purpose of aidtable growth, if not in the right condi- ing the people of widely different retion for that growth. It is a complete gions. It is not to be supposed, however, that each station will limit its and will by them be quickly converted sphere of usefulness to the particular into available food for vegetable growth. State in which it is located; nor is it de-

Grant, as we must, that the first duty of Experiment Station officers is to inof strawberries, which is the weight of a gion supposed to be most benefited by mediate "practical" results is often inconsistent with careful work and with permanent value.

experimentation consists in enunciating commercial operations which may be copied-with or without success. in New England or in Texas; its adaptaspeak; but there is another side. The tion is of course a personal matter entire cost of growing strawberries here which must be settled by individual

The general, purely scientific work does not give immediate cash results, per quart, this is for ordinarily good and farmers cannot afford to conduct strawberries, very fancy berries cannot work of this sort. It is the special business of the Experiment Station to Boston, east of Bangor, by rail is about conduct certain lines of investigation two cents per quart, and the commission until some definite statements can be is 12 per cent., which if the berries sold made. Here are gathered together men for a profit must amount to more than whose lives are devoted to solving the mysteries of Nature, and to applying the orchard, picking a fruit here and tions afforded at one place may be of natural laws to the practical affairs of be sold in Boston for at least ten cents life. Here also are the necessary appar in order to make a profit. The cost to atus for carrying on the work; and the produce the strawberry is mostly in books and periodicals which enable the workers to take advantage of the results obtained by hundreds of others

Boston could give us paying prices for The mere cultivation of a certain what surplus berries we may have to number of varieties of fruits, while of lispose of in the near future, it would be value in familiarizing the grower with ppinion I should prefer to present the condemn a certain amount of variety ituation as it appears to me and let each testing, for this is to a certain extent valuable; but it is not the chief work First, if a systematic canvass of the which should occupy the attention of an

What then are some of the horticultural problems which present themselves? Plant Breeding.

work which can be taken up is the varieties. Breeds of horses, cattle or culture in the garden, and it is cultivated It must be realized that the State of amelioration of our native fruits and swine treated in a similar way would to quite an extent, there certainly seems Maine is only about two weeks behind the production of types valuable in very soon "run out." Massachusetts in its summer season, and special locations. This work to be of that the Western counties are not so the widest application must be based on much behind as that; and that Massa- general laws, and it is within the provchusetts supplies herself the two best ince of the Experiment Station to determine what those laws may be.

The development of the great number largest cities. We cannot expect to ship has been the gradual outgrowth, in many cases, of centuries of care and selection on the part of man. The apple, the pear, the bean, the cabbage wheat and some others have been unde cultivation for more than 4000 years: while most of our cultivated fruits and vegetables have been grown for from assert that there will be planted next 500 to 2000 years. Until a compara Spring in the United States twice the tively recent date, however, no systemacreage that was planted to this fruit, atic attempts at improvement have been

Crossing and hybridizing form impo tant features in the improvement of plants; but the production of hybrids and the study of the laws by which they are regulated is quite a different matter

from raising plants for general utility

The latter is comparatively easier of anipulation and more encouraging, be cause of the magnificent results often obtained and the profits attendant on it. But in the investigation of true hybrids. nanipulation is often difficult and failures are innumerable; the labor is in cessant and unless conducted with order watchfulness, and a spirit of fairnes and freedom from prejudice, with ac curate judgment, is entirely uselessor worse than useless, as wrong conclusions will be drawn. The great variety of objects demanding attention, the length of time required for even the simplest results, the careful labelling of every plant, and registering the phenom ena as they appear, the difficulty of pre venting confusion among hundreds or thousands of seedlings, all of these conditions enter into the study of plan breeding and must precede the most im

Perhaps no part of the work of a horticulturist is the subject of greater misapprehension in the minds of people gen-

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erally than that of plant breeding or the improvement of cultivated plants. By the breeder of fine stock, the importance the production of data which shall be of of pedigree and of careful selection of individual parents, has long since ceased damental principles, and we must all fruit grower or nurseryman, little atten-yard. recognize the fact that the highest type of tion is paid to the development and the inherited tendencies of the plants he is gard variety testing as of paramount imgrowing or propagating.

Plant breeding bears the same relation A to horticulture that the improvement of principle is of value whether worked out live stock does to animal industry. Ped-originators of new fruits to have the igree is as valuable in the one as in the varieties tested at an Experiment Station other. Care in the parentage of each before being offered for sale is not a successive generation is essential to the good one for many reasons. In the first future value of the race. Pedigree is place, trial in many localities and for valuable only as historical evidence of many years is necessary to establish such care. Right here I wish to digress for a mo

ment and refer to the importance of pedigree in plants. At horticultural ex- so widely that a report from an Experihibitions the inherent value of a given ment Station for a single season, or even variety should receive quite as much consideration as is given to individual excellence. At present exhibitors go through there, wherever specially fine individuals may be found, without reference to the general habit of the tree, its usual pro- der different conditions. ductiveness or hardiness; and awards are too often made on the general appearance of collections without reference to the quality or adaptability of given varieties to the locality where grown. Again, we know that there is as marked individuality among trees as among animals yet I venture to say not one nurseryman in one hundred pays the slightest attention to this fact in propagating a given current year. The culture and improvevariety. As a rule cions are taken from the most available source, either from nursery rows or from any convenient tree | State which at present are practically of the variety in hand, without reference to individual characteristics. There is tion and the planting of a few hundreds little doubt that this fact has more to do or thousands of blueberry bushes might, with the failure of orchards than any in our opinion, be made to yield profitother one condition. This is one very able returns. Again, if the little dry, One of the most important lines of potent factor in the "running out" of unsatisfactory June berry is worthy of

Domestication or the inuring of plants ising blueberry. to cultivation, offers a field much wider than is commonly supposed. In fact, there is little doubt that there are more edible fruits and vegetables still in a wild tions of the State for trial. This plan has state, but susceptible of improvement, than are now grown by man.

It is but a few years since DeCandolle rote: "A noteworthy fact is the absence in some countries of indigenous cultivaof their vast territory, which will soon support hundreds of millions of inhabitants, only yields as nutritious plants may follow. worth cultivating, the Jerusalem Artichoke, and the gourds."

This statement is far from correct vielded us all of our out-door grapes, our blackberries, raspberries and cranberries, our best gooseberries, our hardies there are probably 50 to 75 wild species which are worthy of cultivation. The ing studied. difficulty, as stated by Dr. Masters, "is rather in overcoming the prejudices

Practical Problems. If the production of valuable types is important, care in rearing is not less so, and many of the questions concerning the treatment of fruits and vegetables are legitimate subjects for the most careful study at our Experiment Stations But I would not include in this category such questions as, How shall we cut po tatoes? Will plants grow if set upside down? &c. Such questions may best be answered by a single sentence: Use com mon sense!

Among the questions which may very properly receive attention, however, we may suggest, first of all: The treatment of orchards, with reference to feeding, culture and pruning. Little careful and and formulating laws which shall be of accurate work has been done along any real value in practical work and in future of these lines. True, in most of our manuals of pomology we have the accumulated traditions of years; but many of the statements made are based upon personal opinion rather than upon a curate data. One man is positive that Horse Owners! Use the only proper treatment for an orchard is to practice clean culture-a position which is entirely untenable in many of the best orchard sections of New Eng land; another is sure that the best treatment is to turn in the sheep; while his neighbor is quite as positive that hogs never use stable manure; another would never use "chemicals." One man would prune severely; another regards pruning as unnatural and would never use knife, and so the problems multiply.

-that the character of the soil and the nature of the food have a marked influence on the quality and physical charcter of fruit, but little careful work has been done. About the only reliable data that we possess are the reports of Stone of Indiana and Goessmann of Massachusetts. The most widely different views are held as to time and methods of pruning; and the importance and the best methods of winter protection. The origin, development and classification of varieties is also an important study-the problems concerned with which, can only be made at an Experiment Station. The roblems attending the forcing of fruits and vegetables under glass are by no means solved, and this is one of the important industries in many sections of New England. Studies of methods of construction; of methods of heating and ventilating; of the practice of sub-irrigation; of the influence of electric light; and various other questions have already received attention. Some of them at least, have been considered with the double purpose of ascertaining facts which should be of immediate value and of studying the physiological effect on the plants, and thus deducing general principles. But there is still opportunity for valuable work in this line.

Propagation affords many lines of investigation that are of vital importance. For example, the mutual influence of stock and cion; the relative value of eedling stocks from different sources, the importance of top-working certain varieties, and many others. Vegetable and ornamental gardening also offer numerous lines of investigation, one of the most important of which is the selection of hardy trees and shrubs for orna-Agriculture is based upon certain fun-to be questioned; but by the average menting home grounds and the school

As already intimated, we do not reportance in experimental horticulture The plan, suggested in some quarters, of having a law passed compelling the the value of any given variety. Soils and climatic conditions, as well as the seasons through a series of years, vary for several seasons, is of little value to the general public. A variety which may succeed admirably under the condilittle or no value at a point ten miles distant, or even in the same locality un

breeding some reports have already been published and the work is being contin ued. The fertilization of orchards with special reference to the effect on apple worthless but which with a little attento be a field for work in developing improved varieties of the much more prom

established at Orono, a number of trees and shrubs were sent to different sec men are willing to devote the time or possess the patience necessary to care for a varied collection of fruits. At the present time we are preparing to send ted plants. The United States, in spite out several trees of some one variety to each of several growers in the more trying localities and trust that good results

Commercial gardening and fruit grow ing are receiving more attention at present than formerly for the double pursince our woods and fields have already pose of illustrating methods of culture and of increasing the revenue of the Station. With small fruits, questions relative to time and manner of pruning, plums, some of which are very good, and value and methods of Winter protection, many other fruits and vegetables; while the use of fertilizers and adaptability of varieties to different conditions are be

In the line of vegetable gardening the more important work is carried on under against new edible plants and in getting glass for as stated in our last annual rethem cultivated, than in discovering port, the field for successful work in "glass gardening" in the vicinity of our larger cities is very promising.

mportance of careful selection of seed and the fact that varieties "run out" when grown under the same condition year after year. As already intimated, 'running out" does not necessarily im ply deterioration, so in our study of the problems of heredity as affecting cultivated plants we are trying to determine whether valuable characteristics as well as defects may not be transmitted to off-

We have glanced but hastily at a few of the problems which confront a Station horticulturist. The field, however, i limitless. The work at the Experimen Stations is each year becoming more practical; not necessarily less scientific for to be of value, work must be conknowledge gained concerning the habits

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I may be pardoned for referring briefly and more specifically to some of the work that is being done at Orono at the present time. Along the line of plant scab will receive attention during the ment of the blueberry is also receiving attention. There are large areas in the

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Of hiding the seed for the wand of May; r and over and over He pours Into our bins the bo Over and over and over again

God's care broods over the lives of men God's care brooks over the lives of men; Unfailing, unwearied, tender and near, So constant and close we forget 'tis here; ce, and defending fro idding mischar And in its refusals enriching us still.

over and over the heart is made glad, clear the sight of God's goodness it had, biding the deep, still sense Of His gracious, sheltering providence. Over and over and over again over and over the ove

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The thrill that says, "He is very near," The trust that owns, "He is now and here;" Over and over, in all our living, His mercies come; we will keep Thanksgi

-Oline E. Dana, in Golden Rule.

VILLAGE GIRLS IN CITIES.

It is almost akin to heresy in the days to question the unalloyed benefit of higher education, especially as it sought and with comparative case of tained by the rising generation of your women. The opening up of faculties for advanced culture to the girls of to-day to any extent to which they have th gifts, the strength and the means to in prove them, has perhaps developed nore restless ambition in that sex tha in the other. They seem to be attemp ing to recover lost ground, and it is po sible that the impulse given to their e forts by this aspiration sometimes ca ries them beyond the point of safety an prudence, and prepares the condition or disappointment and distress. Some such view as this was taken b

Rev. Charles Cuthbert Hall, D. D., Pres ident of the faculty of Union Theolog cal Seminary, in an address before th annual meeting of the Young Women' Christian Association in New York. H deplored the increasing migration of young women from the village to th ity and attributed it to higher educa tion, although he did not desire to pu himself on record as being opposed t the higher education of women, nor dihe think there should be any arbitrar distinction between the sexes; but h feared that the prevailing restlessness and craving after literary and artisti triumphs were due to extended latitud in woman's sphere. "It makes my hear bleed," he said, "to know of the bitte tment, the keen suffering, th agony of the struggle for existence among these girls. I think there ar serious sides to the question of the rest essness of those who think they mus get away from the villages and come to the glow and the glamour of the city It is serious in that it threatens the de struction of home life, which is the sal vation of this country. What a pity tha these girls are infected with the idea that to be married and to settle down is a small village is below them!"

Without doubt Dr. Hall has touched upon a more or less regrettable fact in the social record of the day; but he might have addressed his remarks with equal propriety to a mixed audience The city magnet does not exert its power upon any one class or sex. The young men from the farms and villages are as irresistibly drawn by it as the young women, and among the young men. oftener than among the girls, it appeals to some less worthy motives than a desire to rise higher in the scale of being and fill a more important place in the world's life and service. The young women who tempt the perils and the struggles of city life, who brave competition already cruel and relentless, deserve our pity when they fail, as fail the majority of them must, so far as realizing their ideals is concerned; but it is out of all this trial and failure that feminine achievement is born to-day, and upon it all has risen and by it has been demonstrated the intellectual equality of the

It is to be hoped, and it is probable, that a reaction may sooner or later set in, which, without deadening aspiration, will establish more practical guidance for young women. As higher education ecomes the rule rather than the exception, it will be easier for them to appreclate their own limitations. They will some to understand that the schools are not mills for the production of geniuses, but simply places of preparation to en-able them to do better the service that des nearest them, and the attempted higher flights will be more nearly confined to efforts the promptings to which come to them with a force and authority which cannot be disregarded or dis-

The newly published biography of Queen Victoria points out that within the past fifteen years she has taken singing lessons from Tosti and drawing from tch. The education of many girls is "finished" at eighteen, but queens profit by instruction after the age of sixty. Mrs. Eliazbeth B. Chace, of Valley Falls, R. I., learned flower painting when much beyond sixty. -- Woman's Journal.

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Over and over again
God's harvests fall in the hands of men.
And never weary our Father is
Of feeding these clamorous children of His;
Of ripening the grain, and painting the fruit of ripening the grain, and painting the And giving the oak its sturdier root; of wrapping the corn in its husk away; of hiding the seed for the wand of May; over and over and over He pours

Over and over and over again God's care broods over the lives of men Unfailing, unwearied, tender and near, 80 constant and close we forget 'tis here: And in its refusals enriching us still.

Over and over the heart is made glad, So clear the sight of God's goodness it had, So clear the sight of cott's goodness it So abiding the deep, still sense Of His gracious, sheltering providence Over and over and over again

Over and the solution of men.

His Christ comes close, and His Spirit stirs,
Till heart and hand are His ministers;
And the common task and the sordid care Are highways where wondrous embas Purpose, confusion and struggle win, Purpose, confusion and struggle will, For so, it may be, comes His kingdom in; His truth flames out from questions an

The paths for His feet are all days, all deeds Over and over and over again

Over and over again
God sets His hope in the souls of men;
The joy in the joy, the gift in the gift,
The joy that enters through sorrow's rift;
The swifter days and the starrier eves.
The strange, deep peace in the heart that The thrill that says, "He is very near,"

The trust that owns, "He is now and here;" Overand over, in all our living. His mercies come; we will keep Thanksgiv.

-Oline E. Dana, in Golden Rule.

VILLAGE GIRLS IN CITIES.

It is almost akin to heresy in thes days to question the unalloyed benefits of higher education, especially as it is ought and with comparative case ob tained by the rising generation of young women. The opening up of faculties for advanced culture to the girls of to-day to any extent to which they have the gifts, the strength and the means to im prove them, has perhaps developed a pore restless ambition in that sex than in the other. They seem to be attempt ing to recover lost ground, and it is pos sible that the impulse given to their ef forts by this aspiration sometimes car ries them beyond the point of safety and prudence, and prepares the conditions

It is serious in that it threatens the de-

struction of home life, which is the sal-

these girls are infected with the idea

that to be married and to settle down in

Without doubt Dr. Hall has touched

his trial and failure that feminine

It is to be hoped, and it is probable,

hat a reaction may sooner or later set

n, which, without deadening aspiration,

ill establish more practical guidance

r young women. As higher education

ion, it will be easier for them to appre-

late their own limitations. They will

ome to understand that the schools are

not mills for the production of geniuses,

at simply places of preparation to en-

able them to do better the service that

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come to them with a force and authority

which cannot be disregarded or dis-

The newly published biography of

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eitch. The education of many girls is

mes the rule rather than the excep-

small village is below them!"

or disappointment and distress. Some such view as this was taken by Rev. Charles Cuthbert Hall, D. D., Pres ident of the faculty of Union Theological Seminary, in an address before the annual meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association in New York. He deplored the increasing migration of young women from the village to the city and attributed it to higher education, although he did not desire to put himself on record as being opposed to the higher education of women, nor did he think there should be any arbitrary distinction between the sexes; but he feared that the prevailing restlessness and craving after literary and artistic triumphs were due to extended latitude in woman's sphere. "It makes my heart bleed," he said, "to know of the bitter disappointment, the keen suffering, the of the struggle for existence among these girls. I think there are serious sides to the question of the rest-I am, yours truly. essness of those who think they must LILLIAN'S LONELY LIFE. get away from the villages and come to the glow and the glamour of the city.

apon a more or less regrettable fact in the social record of the day; but he high cliffs to which it is guyed. It faces night have addressed his remarks with the water, and Miss Small's first duty is qual propriety to a mixed audience. to keep perpetual watch over the ocean The city magnet does not exert its power for every sail running close enough to be apon any one class or sex. The young distinguished. All the regular ships en from the farms and villages are as know the station and keep near enough resistibly drawn by it as the young the coast to be made out. A four-foot omen, and among the young men, telescope is arranged through a pane in ftener than among the girls, it appeals the window, and when a sail comes in some less worthy motives than a desire sight the girl makes out the vessel's orise higher in the scale of being and name and reports it to Boston together

ife and service. The young women who Several sets of flags of the interna empt the perils and the struggles of tional code are provided. Then there city life, who brave competition already are rockets and Coston lights and lanterns. A big pole stands outside, on ruel and relentless, deserve our pity then they fail, as fail the majority of which Miss Small runs up signals, makhem must, so far as realizing their ing whole sentences, to carry on converdeals is concerned; but it is out of all sation with the ships sailing slowly by. It seems a lonely life, but there is alachievement is born to-day, and upon it ways the man at the Boston end of the all has risen and by it has been demonwire, with plenty of messages. strated the intellectual equality of the

In her dainty white and blue bedroom are a bell from the telephone and a ticker from the telegraph key. Sometimes in the middle of the night one or the other breaks into her dreams. Three the inner assent, which is the thing you important life-saving stations along the Cape Cod coast, covering the dreaded Rips section, are connected with this telephone, and when the patrol discovers a wreck, word is sent quickly into this

The worst night she has ever known was in one blizzard, when the three stations rang up successively within a minute of each other, and each reported a higher flights will be more nearly con-

finished" at eighteen, but queens profit dent has founded a home where girls forty medical women in Switzerland, and can always find employment, a nursery a number of them recently got together Mrs. Eliazbeth B. Chace, of Valley Falls, where children of working women are and founded a club of female physicians R. I., learned flower painting when cared for and a Magdalen bome for re- which is said to be the first of its kind much beyond sixty. - Woman's Journal. | pentant sinners.

Love is crowned triumphant only in the home where a baby com-pletes the tie Child Study-XII. To Break the Child's Will is to Weaker

the Man. this been employed in the treatment of children.

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and myself."

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A MOTHER'S RESPONSE.

The able articles on "Child Study" have called out many favorable notices. none more earnest and hearty than the letter by Prof. S. I. Graves, Principal of the W. R. Smith Grammar School, Augusta, published a few weeks ago. The following response from a mother in Oxford county testifies the appreciation of

chief, restless, naughty. Do I make a the worst of all forms of government. I have no one to consult, and I consider puzzle to me to know the wisest way to te the right. Instead of the constant control the noisy, mischievous little harsh command, reason with the child. mites, that, after all, make so great a Give him a reason whenever you can. part of a mother's life. I have made Often he has as good a reason according desolate heart turned to them for com- his reason should be respected. Enter everywhere. fort. I have been too indulgent in con- into sympathy with his view, and lead sequence, and it is to rectify that mis- him out into your wider view. The from your pen, through the 'touch of obedience, on the contrary it only aids

A strange life for a girl to lead is that of Lillian Small, who lives in a little house near the big Highland Light, ration of this country. What a pity that down on Cape Cod, where the sandy beaches are littered with the bones of dead ships. Miss Small is not the keeper of the light, but a signal station opera-

The small house is perched on the a more important place in the world's with any message there may be.

big ship ashore with many lives in dan-

fined to efforts the promptings to which Miss Small has a bicycle, although Cape Cod roads are scarce, and bad when the child's will, is to weaken the man." they are found; but there is fun coasting down the hills, even if walking back is necessary, and Miss Small is an expert I might hear from her. Queen Victoria points out that within in coasting. Then she has her own rifle, for ducks and other game are to be training of the Will."

Mme. Diaz, wife of the Mexican presi-

The will is the most important and the most difficult subject with which the psychologist has to deal, and the most vital one to the mother. Very erroneous ideas have prevailed on this subject, and very false and harmful methods have

a strong will directed in the right way. A strong will is the thing to be desired in a child, and anything we can do to know what caused it, unless it was exstrengthen the will is to strengthen the man; anything we do to weaken it harms the child and weakens the man. Now while no one would dispute that a man is strong in proportion as his will is strong yet 'just the opposite theory is carried out in dealing with children. The child is allowed to have no will of his own, no choice in anything, but is made as far as his mother can make him

thing about the proper training of children; only the most ignorant can still hold and practice that theory. It has gone out with that other equally perni-

cious idea. is broken, the child is useless. Have you had taken about a dozen doses of the never heard a mother boasting that she had performed this feat? Have you never heard her say that it took an hour never heard her say that it took an hour or two hours but she succeeded, and now he was going to mind? And she would describe to you all the cruelty of that struggle, and boast of her own triumph in ignorance of the fact that she had been doing her child an irreparable wrong. If his will is broken, how is he equipped for the battle of life? How the succeeded, and now he was going to mind? And she would be succeeded, and now he was going to mind? And she will be and I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began that I did. Why that medicine actually cured me and I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began that I did. Why that medicine actually cured me and I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began that I did. Why that medicine actually cured me and I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began that I did. Why that medicine actually cured me and I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began that I did. Why that medicine actually cured me and I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began that I did. Why that medicine actually cured me and I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began that I did. Why that I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began that I did why that I didn't seven be actually cured me and I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began than I didn't seven bear actually cured me and I didn't take more than six or seven boxes either. "It was in January, 1897, that I began than it was completely cured by the first of marking than actually cured me and I didn't have actually cured me and I didn't hav wrong. If his will is broken, how is ne trouble with my think equipped for the battle of life? How this.

"And are you positive that it was Dr. "A motherhood in the service the Maine Farmer is seeking to render the homes and the children:

"Norway, Me., Feb. 8, 1898.

S. I. Graves, Dear Sir: I am a stranger to you, but permit me to thank you for your words of thoughtfulness in the development of the child, which were lately published in the Maine Farmer. I am a widow, utterly without relatives, and situated far away from my friends on a situated far farm. I have two beautiful little girls, one six, one four years of age, and how eagerly and earnestly I am watching the little girls for Pale

practice in choosing the right: she had diseases mistake when I say it is wrong to govern always chosen for him, and so when left with a 'switch?' Surely a fit of passion alone he had no power letter that a ship without a should never be thus subdued, and the child is only worse 'acting' for the use rudder driven by every fitful gale hither poverished blood, imparting those elements that purify, vitalize and enrich it, the child is constant to me and the constant to the constant to me and the constant to with a 'switch?' Surely a fit of passion alone he had no power left with which If the will should not be broken what shall we do? It is evident that it must my judgment weak. But it is a great be directed. Simply educate it; lead it part of a mother's life. I have made Often he has as good a reason according storers are prescribed by physicians, enmistakes; they are fatherless, and my to his amount of mind as you have, and dorsed by druggists and used by people

nature that makes the whole world kin, in securing it. For the child comes to United States. know that you will not ask of him anything that is not reasonable, and conse

quently he is the more ready to obey you, because he comes to trust you. If the occasion should arise where there same opportunity to be cured as do the was not time to give the reason, the was not time to give the reason, the child would obey out of confidence that you would not command unless it were right. To illustrate, if he were crossing a R. R. track in front of a train and you called to him to "come to you," he would feel hourd to reason to the great cities where the most eminent physicians and specialists residents. Or Greene, of 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., who has the largest practice in the world, and who is without doubt the most successful specialist in called to him to "come to you," he would feel hourd to reason the commandation of the great cities where the most eminent physicians and specialists residents of the great cities where the most eminent physicians and specialists residents. would feel bound to respond at once knowing you would give a reason, if once about your case. He will surely isn't there?" there were time.

The mother who "makes her child mind" simply by dominating his will has accomplished nothing. She has not changed his attitude; it is bent just the same as before upon the act he wants or does not want to carry out. An incident shows this very clearly. A father asked his little girl to bring him her doll. She did not want to and said so. He insisted, and she asserted her will enough to say, "I shan't." Then the mother put the

doll in the little girl's arms, drew her to her father, and placed the doll in his lap. The child looked up in his face and said, "I did not give you the doll," and truly she had not. Her will was unchanged. Her mother had accomplished nothing really. If she had induced her to give the doll by bringing her will to choose to do so freely, then she would have been the victor; but as it was the child came out ahead, and she knew it When you coerce a child you may ge the outward act, but you have not won really want. You want the child's will to be your will; you cannot make it so

by force. If parents would treat children with as much reason, consideration and polite ness, as they wish to be treated them selves, or as they treat an adult, they would have found the true method. The parent should be emptied of self, and should enter into the child's mind: should get his point of view.

I have asked the printer to put into his large type, the sentence, "To break wonder if there is a reader of this column who does not believe that. If so I wish

Next week we shall take up "The

There are between thirty-five and

A FARMER'S MISHAP.

Jumps from His Wagon and is Badly In-jured. Injuries which Gilbert Updegraff Sustained
-Much Suffering Endured. How He Ob-

From the Democrat, Goshen, Ind. Gilbert Updegraff, a prosperous farme living near Goshen, Ind., in jumping from his wagon on to a board, a few days ago, met with a serious accident.

It was feared at first that this accident

was aggravated by rheumatism, which ailment Mr. Updegraff was troubled with some time ago in an unusually severe form. In speaking of it he says: "About two years ago I was stricken with rheumatism, and for a year was severely troubled with it. It came on

posure, about the farm.
"It was the old fashioned rheumatism
and began in my lower limbs, gradually working up until my arms, hands and fingers became affected. My body ached all over, especially my limbs, which were swollen and these by the following Spring were almost entirely useless. I had to hire all my work done that Spring and Summer, but did a little work in

me suddenly during the winter. I don't

harvest time. "I must have done too much, for soon made as far as his mother can make him a mere automaton to carry out her will. He will not develop a strong manhood this way, any more than he would gain a muscular arm by having it tied to his side. The old idea was, that a child's will afford the expense. Neither could I afford the expense were made at the drug store for something about the proper training of chil-

ease.
"The druggist recommended several things, and I tried some of them, but was not benefited until I used Dr. Wil-liams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I gave this remedy a fair trial as I did the

I continued taking them, and I am glad to-day that I did. Why that medicine

unfolding of their bright little minds! I panions. The mother wonders why he am utterly incompetent and unworthy went astray when she had given him to direct them; they are full of missuch good counsel. He had had no impure blood is the foundation of most One of the first to discover this fact was Dr. Williams, who years ago formu-lated a combination of vegetable reme-

> thus aiding bodily functions, arousing every organ into healthful action, and in this way restoring the entire system to ealth and vigor.
>
> That Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People do this has been attested to b thousands all over our land and in for eign climes. These marvelous health re-

take that I read eagerly and with grati- child always wants a reason, he is always Anti-Alcoholic Congress held in Brussels tude the experiences of wiser heads than asking "why," his nerve cells are hungry under the approval of the King of Belmine, hoping that through the intelligent for a reason for things. It is only the gium, was given the seat of honor at the direction of others' eyes, my own, pro- weakest of wills that does not care for a right hand of the President, the Prime verbially blind, may see and take timely reason. So give him a reason whenever Minister of Belgium, because she reprewarning. Hoping to see something more you can. Instead of conflicting with sented the movement for scientific temperance education in the schools of the

cure you.

"Oh, Bridget, I told you to notice when the apples boiled over." "Shure I did, mum. It was

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And perhaps I may have some to sell But now, while I'm young, I will go to school And try and learn all that I can, For a farmer a good education needs,

More than any other man. You say I am only a little boy, And perhaps my mind I may change; But I sha'n't, for when I'm old enough I'm going to join the Grange.

JACK'S LESSON "So," said Dr. Dove, bringing his hand down on Jack Burnet's shoulder-"se you've been frightening your mother ill

Don't you feel ashamed of yourself?" "I'm very sorry, doctor," said Jack but mothers are so scarey. I wasn't hurt If she'd a-stopped a minute, she'd have seen me pick myself up. You see, the brewer's wagon turned the corner just as the expressman whacked at us fellows that were up behind. We jumped off,

and-" "And if the driver of the brewer' horses had not had strong arms, and the horses more sense than most boys, you'd have been a case for the coroner," said the doctor.

"but mother happened to see it from the window, and fainted." There was a pause, then Dr. Dove said.

'Jack, would you like to ride out with "Oh, yes, thank you, doctor," cried

Jack. "Be ready when I call, then, at two,"

You may be sure Jack was ready for a ride behind that pretty brown horse, and it was delightful for him to go flying along the street and down the avenue. They never stopped until they came to a large brick house.

The doctor took Jack by the hand, and they went softly along the halls, and upstairs to a long room, full of little white beds. There was a child in each bed; and three nurses, with white caps and aprons, were walking about. At some beds the doctor paused, gave directions to the nurse and passed on. At last he

said to Jack: "You may speak to this little fellow. Tom, I have brought a young friend to see you."

Two great hollow eyes turned Jack's "How do you do?" asked a weak voice. "I am well, thank you," said Jack.

'I am sorry you are sick." "I have been sick a great while. I'm going to get well now, doctor says; but I've had lots of pain, and I guess I nearly fied. It's my fault, though. If I'd minded ma, I'd never been here at all. She told me never to hang on the ice wagon, but I did, and the trolley car ran

into it. It's months ago, and I've had time to think about it." "You won't do it again, will you Tom?" asked the doctor.

"No, sir," said Tom. The doctor laid an orange on the quilt. Fom said "Thank voi And Jack said, "I hope you will be

And they walked on till they came to a bed where a boy lay asleep. A big workman, in his Sunday clothes, was rising to go from a chair near the cot.

The doctor shook hands with him. "It makes a baby of me, doctor," said the man. "Little Pat is our darlin'; an' barrin' he wouldn't obey ordhers, the best boy you ever saw. But the wife could not keep him from the edge of the roof. It's seven stories high, and over he went one day. There's a bit of hope,

"While there's life there's hope," said

The man nodded sadly, and went home. "He may live for years, Jack," said \$1.50. Don't lose the opportunity. the doctor; "but he will never be able to stand or even sit up or even to feed himself. He will never be anything but a burden to his parents. But he knew about it as if it were a game you were better than his mother, you see, and was set upon winning. According to the

valked through the ward. Some of the playing chess. The game was long, and hildren were playing with toys or look- he ventured to interrupt it. ing at the pictures, but others were cry- "Excuse me," he said, "but the object ing or moaning in pain. In a corner a of both of you is to git them wooden obnurse was supporting a woman who had jects from where they are over to where

"It came on me sudden," she told the doctor,-"the news that my boy had his of the players. him now," said the poor woman, weep- ties?" ing. "Oh, the times I told him never to

go into the old house they're tearing

down; but he took no heed of my words.

and, when the wall fell, he was under it! If he had only obeyed me!" There was a cot near the door, fro which a cry of pain came. The doctor sticks an' a little ball." ooked grave when he came from it. "That little boy's father told him never

but he did, and shot himself. He is going to die." Jack turned red. He remembered mother boy who had been told not to on me." touch his father's pistol, and who had disobeyed. He was glad when the doctor

Jack read it aloud. the doctor; "but I believe it ought to be would tickle you 'most to death." 'Ward for Boys who Know Better than

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> they ain't?" "That partly expresses it," replied one

"And you have to be continually or leg off."

"And you have to be continually on the lookout for surprises and difficul-

"Constantly."

"And if you ain't mighty keerful, ou're goin' to lose some on 'em' "Yes." "An' then there's that other game that you dress up odd fur, an' play with long

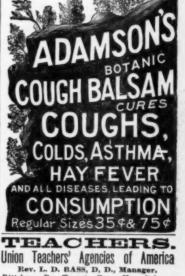
"You mean golf." "I think prob'ly that's what I mean. o touch his pistol," he said to Jack; Is that game amusin'?" "It's quite interesting, and the exer

cise is very beneficial." "Well, I reckon it's a mighty good joke "To what do you refer?"

"The way I've been havin' fun without knowin' anything about it. If you gen-Over the door through which they tlemen reely want to enjoy yourselfs. passed was written, "Children's Accident you come over an' git me to let you drive pigs. You git all the walkin' you want an' the way you have to watch fur sur-"That's what we call it, Jack," said prises, an' figger so's not to lose 'em

'Ward for' Boys who Know Better than Their Mothers.'"
Jack blushed again. He was very thoughtful as they drove home; and his mother has since told Dr. Dove that he obeys her now.—Lutheran.

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It may be "enterprise" which places the "great family newspaper" containing sion on board the Mangrove, in Havana an address, before an audience two hours before the same is to be delivered, but the Maine Farmer prefers to keep faith explosion that destroyed the Maine was with public speakers, even though it be

The Kansas farmers, since they sold their wheat, have been buying top buggies and grand pianos. Better be preparing for another year's business and storing something for another rainy day. Enormous crops and high prices do not come every year.

According to official announ the imperial State of Georgia will offer for sale to the highest bidder on April 1, 2300 convict laborers, all in middling repair, and in lots to suit purchasers. this is to be a bargain sale Maine will be well represented.

Newspapers which are doing their best to build up local industries enjoy having handbills placed on their desks by ocal merchants bearing the imprint, and the earmarks, of cheap out-of-town printing offices. Such reciprocal rela tions strengthen good fellowship and prove the worth of cooperation.

The entering wedge has been started and the first Southern war claim has has been rehearsed. Probably the most been voted by Congress. This means that ultimately every conceivable form was that by President McKinley at Philof a claim growing out of the Civil War adelphia, from which a few extracts are got to Havana, I believe any of the at once to Cuba by Sec'y Long, the ob will command the attention of Congress, and the curse of an increasing debt be

forced upon the people. So much for

William H. Jeffrey has returned from his prospecting tour to the West region and announces, of course, that "the half has never been told" of the golden wealth of that wondrous region. He declares that gold is piled up in stacks like cordwood. To be sure he has only been part way there but then the story is

Following closely our dairy industry mes our orchards, while the area de voted to small fruits will be multiplied many times during the next decade. As meeting in the Maine Farmer is the most omplete furnished, and the importance of the addresses fully justifies the space given. In quality it will rank as one of the best in the history of the society.

egislative assembly upon the bill reently introduced in favor of biennial essions for that State, the New York sessions for that State, the New York carry out their purposes will succe the functions allotted to public life. sessions for the legislature of New York have the argument all on their side. This went further and spoke for the people assuming that he but voiced the senti is no longer a matter of theory or experino trouble, whatever, in getting all the no trouble, whatever, in getting all the good and needed legislation once in two years, and with such a body as New York has you get only about half as upon the mind of every patriot. 'No York has you get only about half as much of the mere traffic and jobbery." Maine will never retrace its steps to

The death of Miss Frances Willard renoves from the activities of this life one of the most noble unselfish sincerelyninded women of the age. To whatever department of labor she attached herself her best efforts were untiringly given. No one has questioned her sincerity and therefore her following throughout the world has been a magnificent one, and the loyalty of those who looked to her of learning. as their leader will now only be more intensely given to carry on the noble and beneficent lines of work which she has laid down to a will high representations. greater success. By the death of Miss ernment which he left us, it will Willard, President of the National W. C. T. U., the first Vice President, Mrs. L. States, and it is thought that she will He has warned us against false lights succeed Miss Willard in the presidency.

THE LESSON OF THE HOUR.

To-day the one topic of conversation n town and city all over this fair land of ours is the terrible disaster in Havana tors, each one a recognized harbor, the destruction of the warship authority, contributed to by Maine and the loss of two hundred and events, and rises superior and triumph fifty-three lives. The deep significance and above the storms of woe and peril." the best writers in the attending the disaster has awed the country, every department American people and the desire uppermost in the minds of all thoughtful peo has a special interest to the ple, is that the investigation may prove family group, and is therefore beyond question that the explosion was read by all. Firmly established in the homes of the outcome of what will be if the responsibility should fall upon the Spanish. even though those in authority are not

The sympathies of the American peo ple have been strengthening towards the insurgents on the island, and as their ecessities have been made known, contributions of money, clothing and food have gone forth. These acts of common charity have excited still greater sympathy. In the insult paid President fined almost exclusively to the McKinley and through him, every homes of the progressive agriter, still deeper animosities were enthe dark, but it is hoped that the electric culturists, it affords a medium gendered. The immediate action of the Spanish government in recalling its offered by it satisfied our officials that the act was but the expression of an in-Lightning in February is slightly out dividual, yet the flame had been fed and when the news of the destruction of the Maine came, a wave of intense natriotism swent over this entire country, giving evidence of the deep, underlying loyalty of our people, needing only some problem of National import for private interests to be set entirely side and the safety of our institutions be the one all absorbing thought, East West, North and South. To-day the his address on the first page merits a Nation waits the deliberate opinion of thoughtful reading. The Farmer is the the most experienced experts. No act only paper giving more than an abstract of our President has been more timely than when he refused to allow the request of the Spanish government, that Hon. Geo. T. Powell of New York, one their divers should work with ours. The Maine is as much the property of

sailed out of the harbor of New York submerged mine: and until the wreek is finally abandoned, there can be no cause for allowing any orce of the explosion. withdrawal of control. The Court of Inquiry held its first ses

narbor, Monday, Capt. Sigabee being the first witness. If it is shown that the an internal one, many naval officers are convinced that its origin will be found in the gun cotton magazine. Passengers who arrived in New York

from Havana, Monday, on the steamer seguranca, told of the panic which seized Havana citizens when the Maine was blown up. Some of the citizens thought the Cuban rebels had attacked the city. and others feared that Morro castle had een destroyed.

It is the most serious catastrophe which has happened for years, and Havana at the time of the accident state as brought desolation to thousands of that great excitement prevailed, and at friends all over our country. There is, the time of sailing the foreign population to-day, great reason for thankfulness were generally of the opinion that the that wisdom and deliberate judgment Maine was destroyed by design. They the full weight of responsibility is recogish man of war, which was anchored near nized by President McKinley and his ad- the Maine, changed her moorings previ

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Not for many years has there been so and city, North and South, with youth and adults the story of true patriotism significant of all the addresses delivered

joice, also, that throughout this broad land the birthday of the patriot leader is faithfully observed and celebrated with an enthusiasm and earnestness, which testify to the virtue and gratitude of the

American people.

It was committed to Washington to launch our ship of State. He had neither precedent nor predecessor to help him. He welded the scattered, and at times antagonistic colonies into an in-destructible union and inculcated the lessons of mutual forbearance and fraternity, which have cemented the States into still closer bonds of interest and

At the very height of his success and reward, as he emerged from the Revolu-tion, receiving by unanimous acclaim the plaudits of the people, and commanding the respect and admiration of the civilized world, he did not forget that his first official act as President should be

first official act as President should be fervent supplication to the Almighty Being who rules the universe.

It is He who presides in the counsels of nations and whose providential aid can supply every human defect. It is His benediction which we most want, and which can and will consecrate the liberties and happingers of the records of the ties and happiness of the people of the United States. With His help the instruments of the citizens employed

ment. The experiment has been tried amply, and in every case the outcome His favor and care of the strong foundahas been entirely satisfactory. There is tions of the government then inaugurate the satisfactory all the

> upon the mind of every patriot. 'No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the invisible hand which conducts the affairs of man more than the people of the United States But if a timely lesson is to be drawn

from the opinions of Washington on his assuming the offices of President, so, also, is much practical benefit to be derived, from the present application of portions of his farewell address, a document, in which Washington laid down principles which appeared to him all-important to the permanence of your principles which appeared to him 'ali-important to the permanence of your felicity as a people.' In that address, Washington contends in part: 1. For the promotion of institutions

laid down, to a still higher mark and to we cannot err. The wise lessons in gov profitable to heed. He seemed to have grasped all possible conditions and pointed the way safely to meet them. He has established danger signals all along the pathway of the nation's march. He has taught us the true philosophy of 'a perfect union,' and shown us the graphic dangers from sectionalism, and wise, seasonable, party spirit. He has emphasized the necessity at all times for the exercise of sober and dispassionate udgment.

Such judgment, my fellow-citizens, is

Four divers are at work, two in the fore part of the Maine and the others For this reason we cannot urge the posaft. The task is most laborious. The tal system in Maine, as it is not needed men are extremely careful as they have had to work in complete darkness and several have had bad falls. Electric lights, worked from the Mangrove, are now available and much good is expected from them. Nearly all the possible salvage has now been made from the cabin aft. The efforts to reach the ward unknown obstacle. It is expected to find bodies in these rooms. Three cases

powder. These were found forward. The work of securing the bodies under the hatch has been most difficult in 396.87. light will be of great assistance. bodies are much mutilated and some are nen have been taken out from under the hatch leading from the superstructure to the fire room. None were ecognized and all were necessarily dis-

nembered in course of removal. The officers of the court of inquiry paid another visit to the wreck to-day Capt. Sampson, after the visits of the nembers of the court to the Captain General and Admiral Manterola this norning, said the reception extended pressed deep sympathy and the hope that nothing would interfere to prevent thorough investigation. They offered to give any help in their power.

A dispatch to the New York Journal says "The Maine was not wrecked by a orpedo. The conclusion forces itself that the Maine was destroyed by a large

Because of the tremendous upward

Because of the great hole torn in the Maine's bottom. The battleship did not sink slowly. It went down instantly. Because it is a known fact that Ha vana harbor is a nest of mines, some of year.

them very large. Because two men, who will testify before the Board of Investigation, while owing across the harbor came in contact with a wire running apparently from the Maine to the Arsenal.

To sum up: The explosion could not have been in side the Maine.

The explosion could not have rom a torpedo.

The explosion was from a mine.' The American citizens who were in re enthroned at Washington, and that cited, among other things, that the Span-

ous to the disaste C. P. Holcomb, of New Castle, Del. general manager of a street railroad in Philadelphia, one of the passengers on general an observance of the birthday of board the Seguaranca, was outspoken in Washington as on Tuesday. In country his belief that the investigation at Havana would reveal some startling circum-

"I went to Havana," said Mr. Holcomb, "not at all in sympathy with the insurgents, but on Wednesday when we ing appliances in the country will be sent Americans on board were in a mood to ject being to raise the Maine, if possible "I rejoice with you in the day. I recommit murder. The flags of the Spanand bring the wreck to this country.

ish warship were not at half mast. The this slight tribute to the dead. I had a telegram to bring back the remains of apprentice Glazier, who is the son of my okkeeper. I found that he was among the saved.

The contrast between the bearings the Spaniards and Cubans is strong. At the funeral of the Maine's seamen, the Cuban women in the streets were almost all dressed in mourning, while the Spar ish ladies wore colors. The only American flags I saw in the whole procession were two small ones about three by six nches. I went aboard the Alphonso XII and was received politely. The only expression of regret I heard there was from an officer, who complained that the force of the Maine explosion had broken his toilet bottles. There can be no mistaking the indifference of the Spaniards in Ha vana over the loss of the warship and those on board. On Thursday, while driving to the cemetery with two American friends, I was assailed with jeers, and some one threw a large stone at our

ACTIVITY IN THE WAR DEPARTMENT.

In spite of the effort being made to allay the fears of the people it is evident that there are unusual signs of activity in all branches of the War Department In accordance with the administration policy of being prepared for emergen pletion of the repairs to the Terror con template getting that ship ready for service in two days. Naval Constructor Stahl has been authorized to employ men night and day on the monitor Capt. O'Neil, chief of the bureau of ord-Norfolk Navy Yard to place ammunition on board the Terror, and, when com-

pleted, she will drop down to Hampton roads, where she will await sailing or-The department has not definitely determined where to send the ship. The probabilities are that she will proceed to New York harbor and remain there for the protection of that port in case of emergency.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS.

Admitting the practicability of Postal Savings banks it cannot be claimed that there is the same demand for them in Maine where every centre is supplied, as in some other States where a savings bank is now unknown. To further multiply is to weaken those now in operation, and surely a higher rate of interest or greater security, cannot be expected than is now afforded the depositors in our own State.

tive in the matter of legislation, protecting the depositors at every step. The battle has been fought again and again and the custom and law of other States urged, but the legislators have wisely withstood and in later years the wisdon of their action has been fully proved.

From Hon, J. E. Blanchard, County Treasurer for Kennebec county, we have just received a copy of the annual statement of the financial condition of the county. Like all the work done by this and mess rooms are frustrated by some painstaking officer this bears the evidence of thorough business preparation From it we learn that the receipts for of ten inch ammunition have been found, the year have been \$84,127.06, less one having exploded, the others full of \$3,774.42 cash on hand Jan. 1, 1897, and expenditures \$73,457,20. The resources less than liabilities Jan. 1, 1898 are \$22,-

The Lewiston Journal, with its accus tomed enterprise, has this year supplied partially burned. The bodies of 12 fire- its office with a mammoth Hoe Press, so as to enlarge the paper to twenty-four pages. They announce still further changes, by which the Journal, during the year, will appear as a 32, 40, 48, or 56 page paper, as the pressure of news may demand. The new Hoe doublesupplement press enables the Journal to present the latest news, giving the Journal the freshness of a daily paper of same date. This enlarged paper will enable the publishers to present even greater them had been polite and cordial. The quantity and variety of matter than now, Captain General and Admiral had ex- and to introduce new features. After the reader has secured his home paper it will be difficult to supplement it with one that will more fully present all the news, both at home and abroad, than the Lewiston Weekly Journal. The Evening Journal, the favorite daily paper of the State, participates in the benefits of and West roads being well-nigh impassabetter mechanical facilities, and now appears as a 10 and 12 page paper, daily, and 24 pages Saturday, making a very large amount of Maine and general news for the small sum of fifty cents a month, in advance. The Weekly edition is \$2.00 a year, the Wednesday and Saturday \$2.50, and the Saturday \$1.50 a

Better Stay in England. Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, who vas welcomed with outstretched arms by Americans, and carried back as the outcome of his lectures many thousands of dollars, returns the compliment by not concealing the fact that he has been unfavorably impressed with American life. He has a great grievance against what he terms the "inventions of the American reporters," and he did not like his audiences

"I feel at home here in England," he felt a lack of sympathy with my scientific achievements. In many cases the tain the people." people only wanted to stare, and they rould have been equally pleased if I had ot up and sung a comic song."

If For Lombard, Why Not Maine! It is said that the faculty of Lombard

Iniversity at Galesburg, Ill., has decided to add dancing to the regular college curriculum. It is only a matter of time when the up-to-date colleges probably will turn out bachelors of waltzing, masters of football and doctors of pink teas. -Chicago Times Herald.

AGRICULTURAL.

-J. F. Howard, Winslow, one of Waterville's milkmen, is successor to his father, Cyrus Howard in the business, who was the first regular milkman running into Waterville.

-A. E. Shores & Son. Waterville, ar well up among good farmers in town. They keep four horses, fifteen head of eattle, thirty-five or forty sheep, and from sixty to eighty swine, pure bred and grade Berkshires. The intention is. to, in the near future, materially increase their cattle and swine. During than two tons of pork, and at this time. Feb. 17, have eight or ten nice pigs ready for market. The Messrs. Shores have ble disaster at Havana. the buttermilk from the Waterville

Waterville they have 150 black faces or and friends. Shropshire sheep all registered, 45 of | -The twenty-four hours sleety storm 1,300,000 pounds of wool, in anticipation f a further rise in the market.

-Fat oxen and cows for the Brighton narket are to be seen on almost any the regular weekly blockade.

-If any reader has nure head Berk-Farmer will bring a customer.

-The union of the potato growers of Maine, led by Mr. Geo. B. Dickert, Maoleton, must be of practical service in future years, limited only by the measure of cooperative spirit infused into the organization. It is proposed to innance, directed the ordnance officer at stitute local unions for mutual benefit Ben Venue Greenhouses, is still boring and surely good and only good will fol. for oil in the form of water. Located low this step. Write to Mr. Dickert for above the level of the city reservoir, she

-Mr. J. W. Hobart, Dover, N. H., has herd of 45 Jerseys pronounced fine by all who have seen them. His market is Boston and he ships weekly 22 two-gallon cans of cream. This is good business. Mr. Geo. S. Batchelder is manager of the farm.

-Mr. Robert W. Lord, owner of a rich farm at "Elms," Maine, has been gathering in a herd of Guernseys, bred chiefly from the grand cow, "Quartz," shown in the Farmer a few weeks ago. There is no question regarding the deserved popularity of the Guernseys. They are of good size, hardy, quiet and yet heavy producers of very rich milk.

-A Portland commission merchant says that sales of fancy canned corn are going on briskly. Prices are about the same as last year, and buyers begin to realize that it will not do to run as many risks of getting sold out as they did the past season. There will be no old corn of any consequence left unsold by Sep-

-The Belfast creamery is doing a good usiness in milk, and the work is such as will interest all.

-Cummings Brothers, of Portland have purchased from F. C. Payson & Co. their Alfred corn factory. The price is nderstood to be in the vicinity of \$6,000.

the farmers of that vicinity, to learn that

the tuberculin test for cows, held its an- practice before being admitted? nual meeting in Portland, Saturday. A constitution and by-laws were adopted, Portland Milk Producers' Associathe Portland Milk Producers' Association. The following officers were elected: President, Geo. E. Merrill, Gray; Vice President, Harry Jordan, New Gloucester; Secretary, C. L. Dunn, North Yarmouth; Treasurer, C. H. Nelson, Danville Junction. The entire business of the union was practically left to the following board of ten directors: A. S.

Instruction to towns. After the annual teaching school in Massachusetts, is now at home for several weeks' vacation.—

without an average attendance of at least eight pupils, is discontinued unless the towns its annual meeting votes to maintain it. Superintendents of schools must was well carried out, and was enjoyed when they reside at such distances from school as to render such conveyance of pupils to school without an average attendance of at least eight pupils, is discontinued unless the towns, without an average attendance of at least eight pupils, is discontinued unless the towns, without an average attendance of at least eight pupils, is discontinued unless the towns at thome for several weeks' vacation.—

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-The capacity of the Maine Sanitary Milk Supply Co's plant, Auburn, is to be has power to fill a vacancy in the office proof-reader at the Maine Farmer office increased from 38 cows to 120 cows.

-The storm sadly interfered with the

MAINE STATE FAIR.

At the meeting of the trustees of the Maine State Fair at Auburn, last Thursto the coming exhibition. The Journal reports Trustee Gilman as opposed to paying such large premiums on stock and in favor of setting apart more for at tractions. The Journal says:

"The trustees have an eye out fo grand stand attractions. As will be rembered, Sec. Clarke visited Brockton fair last fall and was pleased with the size of the crowd. The Covell Amuse ment Company of New York City is the ompany which furnished the entertaincompany which furnished the entertain-didates for admission to high schools, ment, the consideration being about and determine if their scholastic attain-\$4000. Mr. Clarke has letters from Manager Chase containing terms and sugestions for a stage performance at the 1898 fair and the prospect is that nego said; "but, there, in spite of the crowds, tiations will result in a contract and that The stakes decided upon are given elsewhere in our columns.

THE MAINE FARMER ADVERTISERS SAT-

"We'll Be There."

Dear Sir: I take this opportunity to thank you for your kindness and the trouble you have been to on my account. the most fastidious. During the shower nway, Chelsea, Vt., thanks to the Maine Farmer. For recompense, please struck by lightning and set on fire, being consider yourself invited to a turkey totally destroyed. supper at my house, date to be fixed by Yours truly, E. H. CLARY.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

City News.

-His Honor, Gen. W. S. Choate has accepted an invitation to deliver the annual Memorial day address in Augusta -Isn't it a little strange that the daily olitical paper of the city hasn't heard out the coming city election?

-Capt. Ryan and Mason Farrar started Monday for the far away regions of the Klondike. Maine gold sent them out and they will be fortunate if Maine gold doesn't help them to return.

-The sympathy of all our citizen the past Fall they have marketed more goes out to the family of Mr. Eli S. Mero on account of the loss of their son, Ma Eldon Mero who was killed in the terri

-The funeral of the late Joseph How butter factory and consider it good feed, and, a well-known business man, was -C. H. Merrill, C. E. Libby and I. C. held, at 2 P. M., Sunday, at his late home Libby now own 43,000 sheep which they in Sidney, Rev. C. A. Hayden officiating. have on their five ranches in Montana. At There was a large attendance of relatives

which came from the old country. In Monday and Tuesday did not disturb oston the firm has stored, at present, travel in Augusta, save to make the streets uncomfortable. In Skowhegan, Foxcroft, Anson and Farmington from twelve to sixteen inches of snow brought

-Politics are stirring the muddy waers all over Maine. At Bath, after the shires for sale, an advertisement in the declination of Capt. Kelly, the Republicans have nominated Dr. W. G. Ribber At Lewiston, the contest will be between Mayor Judkins, Rep., and W. H. Newell, Dem. In Augusta, Hon. R. W. Soule has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination.

-Miss G. P. Sanborn, proprietor of is obliged to depend upon wells, or cis-Major Reuel Howard. He was a mar terns, or haul water a long distance. who was universally liked and respected For two years she has been boring into the granite hill hoping to find a supply ample for her needs.

-Again have the farm buildings of Warner Taylor at North Augusta been destroyed by fire. Mr. Taylor left his lantern hanging in the stable for a few minutes Saturday morning, only to find the building in flames on his return. Loss, \$2000; insured for \$700. This section of the city has lost heavily during and two years ago. This almanac tue past two years.

Relief Corps, department of Maine, was held in Augusta last week and the memheld in Augusta last week and the members report an enjoyable gathering, a father when about twelve years of ag large number being in attendance. The and settled in Vassalboro officers elected for the ensuing year are: years ago. Mr. Faught prizes this book Pres. Addie V. Grant, Biddeford; senior very highly it being an old family keep Vice President, Alice S. Gilman, Oakland; junior Vice President, Nellie M. Carleton, Winthrop; Treasurer, Almeda in Ben Berry, Biddeford; Secretary, Mary Pillsthe town. It was built some three years bury, Biddeford; Chaplain, Susan W. Merrick. Commander L. T. Carleton of Hinds, as chairman of the commi Merrick. Commander L. T. Carleton of the G. A. R. department of Maine, ad-ing is 32x69½ feet, giving space for dressed the meeting.

-The work of furnishing the house to be used as a City Hospital is in the hands of C. B. Burleigh, Dr. B. T. Sanborn and Ira H. Randall. Hon. Herbert
M. Heath, S. W. Lane, and Dr. B. T.
Sanhorn, were selected to appoint the -It will be agreeable intelligence to Sanborn, were selected to appoint the medical staff, and formulate rules for the Bridgton Canning Company proposes the internal regulations of the hospital, this year to operate the corn factory in and to determine who shall be eligible for admittance to the same. Let's see -The organization of milk producers, isn't this hospital to be for the sick and which had its birth last year, at the time suffering? Is it possible that candidates some friction arose between the milkmen are to be examined as to party affiliaand Portland Board of Health concerning tions, church membership or school of

State Superintendent of Schools Stetand it was voted to call the organization son has issued an important circular of Haskell of this town, who has been instruction to towns. After the annual

After March 1, 1898, no member of a Jones, Cash's Corner; Charles P. Loring, school committee is eligible to teach in a been confined to the house for the past town where he is not a legal resident.

Books, repairs, etc., must be paid for from a fund raised for the purpose, and have sold their apples to Lewiston par-Gray; E. Wentworth, East Hiram; E. R. high school fund. The superintending Thurston, Danville Junction; F. M. school committee has charge of purchas-floyd, New Gloucester; Van M. Carl, ing text-books and making repairs, but this may be delegated to the Superin-The superintending school committee

of truant officer. three members of the superintending

institute at Riverside, Tuesday, the East school committee must be elected, as the terms of office of all members of the first meeting of the new committee, they in North Conway, N. H. shall designate by lot the members to serve for one, two and three years respectively. They shall elect a Superintendent of schools, who shall not be one day, a vigorous discussion was held as of their number and not have the right is that at the second meeting of the deleto vote, but shall be the Secretary of the

> also choose a committee. schools must give instruc to comply will subject a person misap-propriating high school funds to a fine of double the sum misapplied, and the town to the penalty of restoring the gill, Rumford Falls, is announced as a amount misapplied before any other can m the State dents must examine all can

ments fit them for such schools The school committees shall annuall at suitable times and places, hold publ examinations of school teachers, giving suitable notice of the same. Certificates examination is passed in the specified branches. Superintendents must report under oath whether the statutes relating to examinations are complied with.

Eighteen inches of snow at Livermore Falls, Skowhegan and Dexter, Feb. 16th. A heavy rain storm throughout the lower region of Maine and a terrific thunder shower at Rockland, all the same night would indicate a variety satisfactory to received a fine gobbler from J. F. Hem- the Baptist church at South Thomaston, one of the oldest churches in Maine, was

> The Storm. Snow and slush covered the streets of Portland to a depth of two to three feet. Tuesday, and business was at a stand-

County News.

The Hallowell Granite Co. is shipping —The Selectmen of Readfield report large expense to the town for the break-ing out the last two storms.

-The Readfield stage seems to be the one to suffer most from the storms this Winter. The hills in that section carry big drifts these days

-The report of the town officers of Readfield is in the hands of the voters and the showing is a grand one for that good farming town.

—Mrs. S. G. Fogg, Readfield, came near losing the fine set of buildings on her home farm, Wednesday last, by the ourning out of a chimney. -The roads are so bad in Mt. Vernon

that farmers are unable to deliver wood here, and most are without their next year's supply. trustees of Colby University -The have by unanimous vote, decided

erect a chemical laboratory at the North end of the campus near Coburn Hall, at an expense of about \$35,000. an expense of about \$55,000.

—L. T. Boothby, Esq., the well-known insurance man, Waterville, was first appointed Justice of the Peace on April 26, 1852, or nearly 46 years ago. He has held the office by reappointment ever

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County News.

The Hallowell Granite Co. is shipping dive carloads of dressed granite every day. The Selectmen of Readfield report large expense to the town for the breaking out the last two storms.

—The Readfield stage seems to be the one to suffer most from the storms this Winter. The hills in that section carry big drifts these days.

The report of the town officers of Readfield is in the hands of the voters and the showing is a grand one for that good

—Mrs. S. G. Fogg, Readfield, came near losing the fine set of buildings on her home farm, Wednesday last, by the ourning out of a chimney. The roads are so bad in Mt. Vernon that farmers are unable to deliver wood here, and most are without their next

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WEST GARDINER. Miss Carrie B. Nudd een visiting friends in Augusta. Edna Batchelder of Gardiner spent Sun-day with Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Babb.—Miss Lena Curtis, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Peacock, at Kent's Hill, returned home last week .- Miss Grace Haskell of this town, who has been teaching school in Massachusetts, is n at home for several weeks' vacation A large crowd attended the circle at the Grange hall, last Saturday evening. The entertainment, which was a mock trial, was well carried out, and was enjoyed by all present. The next circle will oc-cur Thursday evening, March 3, and the entertainment will consist of a "minstrel show," after which will be a supper and a dance.—Mr. Clarence Curtis, who has been confined to the house for the past two weeks with the grip, is much improved.—Towle Brothers of this town have sold their apples to Lewiston parties.

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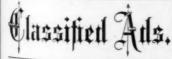
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MAINE STATE POMOLOGICAL SOCIETY. CONTINUED FROM SECOND PAGE.

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Following Mr. Cook's paper on "Fighting Insects," a discussion came up on the natter of destroying the tent caterpillar. secretary Knowlton inquired of the speaker what course he would recommen for the destruction of this insect. Mr Cook stated that spraying seemed to

has been fed over.

The forest caterpillar promises to be the greater pest among us the coming year. These appear in colonies of such numbers as to defy all efforts at de-

Fighting of insects has come to be an important matter. The canker worm has been a great pest in portions of New York. To-day the canker worm ha been completely subdued. Use Paris green solution, one pound to 100 gallons vater. But if the Paris green is used that strength, lime must be used with it freely to prevent the scorching of the foliage. Large trees can be sprayed at an expense of four cents a tree. This neans thoroughly coating every leaf of the tree.

The best nozzle he has used for high spraying is the J. J. McGowan nozzle. or small trees the Vermarell is a fine working one. The effect of the spraying depends on its being done in a most thorough manner. Spraying should be done every year. If not actually needed for protection in any single year, the spraying prevents the propagation of the goard of the spraying or spores and thus reduces the danger of the year following. Hence the spraying the danger of the year following. Hence the spraying prevents the propagation of the spraying or spores and thus reduces the danger of the year following. Hence the spraying prevents the propagation of the spraying or spores and thus reduces the danger of the year following. Hence the spraying the spraying prevents the propagation of the spraying or spores and thus reduces the danger of the year following. Hence the spraying suggested are a formula t danger of the year following. Hence the spraying in the off or unfruitful years is as important as in the bearing

The number of sprayings neces the season. In common years two sprayings will accomplish the result. Prof. Munson called attention to the black knot. This should be cut off and burned. The spores left on the ground are as menacing as if they remained on

Variations in kind come from crossing.

Mr. Powells

Am thoroughly in sympathy with thi matter of plant breeding. There is a wonderful field here for the creation of new varieties. Am at present planting only the Northern Spy stock and select ng buds from the King to work on that

the tree should be. In currants is pursuing same course o selection. Occasionally finds a specially fine Fay currant. That stock is marked. Cuttings from such stock are used for planting. Strong buds and strong stock only are used for propagation.

Northern Spy to graft upon than to re-

fruit of that kind earlier than other growers.

There is a universal tendency of plants o revert to some former parentage.

Mr. Powell, in answer to a questio says he buys a two years old stock from the nurseries and plants them out and lets them grow two years before grafting. Then is two years in changing all the

Another method was to let the tree stand only one year and then insert buds in the branches. This method has some idvantages from the fact if a bud fails the branch sustains no injury.

expected on the table were snowbound, and failed to put in their appearance standard sorts that were of usual excel-

good. The Baldwins were as fine as usual. Russets and Harveys were also

E. F. Purington, Farmington, was the very fine.

Cranberries were shown, very fine, by . H. Niles and A. C. Greenleaf of Farm

Canned apples were shown by Mrs. What Everybody Requires at Jennie E. Litchfield, Winthrop, and Mrs. E. E. Paine, Jay. The same ladies also aiding the farmer and fruit grower to made a fine exhibition of apple jellies, meet intelligently the questions which put up in the usual form. The differing Some Things Are of the Utmos arise in his daily work and in order that colors of these glasses formed an attract ive feature on the fruit tables Mrs Litchfield had 20 different samples and Mrs. Paine three.

A pot of beautiful hyacinths in full bloom, by Mrs. R. W. Keyes, was a smiling contrast to blizzard and snow outside Prizes were laid as follows:

Exhibit of apples, E. F. Purington, 1st D. P. True, 2d. Baldwins, D. P. True, 1st; S. H. Niles

Fallawater, E. F. Purington, 1st. Fall Harvey, E. F. Purington, 1st; S Niles, 2d.
Granite Beauty, E. H. Purington, 1st.
Hubbardston, Mrs. Jennie E. Litch

Rox. Russett, S. H. Niles, 1st; Mrs. J. Litchfield, 2d.
Stark, E. F. Purington, 1st. Tolman Sweet, C. S. Pope, 1st; S. H.

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Bellifower, D. P. True, 1st.
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New Plan.

Following the reading of Mr. Gilbert's paper on "A New Plan of Work," Secretary Knowlton took up the matter and called attention to the amount of the society's money carried off year by year,

society.

Mr. Wooster said these object lessons are a forcible educator.

effort to draw out an exhibition of winter fruits at the time of the State Fair.

Mr. George and Mr. Andrews of the executive committee of the society further discussed the matter in the same line. The matter was then laid by to be taken up later by the society.

THURSDAY EVENING

The roads of the immediate vicinity of creased number greeted the speakers of the evening, a goodly measure of whom were ladies.

In opening, Mr. Andrews of the exec utive committee, introduced the follow ng motion which was given a passage: ng motion which was given a passage:
Voted, That Mr. Gilbert's plan of 'new work' be submitted to a special of ood dice boxes.

A Dixfield factory has just completed an order for 8,000,000 checkers and 200,-000 dice boxes. committee of three, with instruction to

The President appointed the following committee: D. H. Knowlton, Farmington; H. E. Townsend, Freeport; C. E. Wheeler, Chesterville.

was received with pleasure.

Nature Study.

The first lecture of the evening was a presentation of the advantages of the study of Natural History by Prof. A. L. Lane of the Classical Institute, Waterville. Prof. Lane is full of the subject chosen and captured the attention of his and exercises of great pleasure and profit and solidary confinement. This address we shall public to the subject to the first Methodist preaching in town, beld Feb. 15, the attendance being large and exercises of great pleasure and profit to turn him over to the Supreme cledded to turn him over to the Supreme adecided to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the Supreme road from their quarry to the wharf, and cledded to turn him over to the supreme read and shipped 2 suprement. Ridder had suprement. Side of the suprement. Side Mr. Powell alluded to the fact that the study of Natural History by Prof. A. L. Northern Spy was also an exceedingly Lane of the Classical Institute, Waterstrong rooted tree. In regard to effect of ville. Prof. Lane is full of the subject stock on cion was not able to say the chosen and captured the attention of his quality is essentially changed. But his audience. This address we shall pub- to all.

Seedtime and Harvest

BY MISS MARY S. SNOW, SUPERINTEND-

ENT OF THE BANGOR SCHOOLS.

This was a continuation of the subject so admirably elaborated by the previous speaker. Miss Snow's beside a stove while his mother was in the previous speaker. Miss Snow's schools she is in charge. Just now all the scholars are studying evergreens; liarities. Apples are also made a study, and drawings made by even the small

In Spring another class of plants is noted. It is surprising how soon the tions of northern Maine that several con attention of children can be enlisted in the examination of the plant life around the woods. Throughout the middle us. The course pursued by some of the teachers in first enlisting the attention the estimate. of little children in such work was described and the rapid process indicated. The work is all done by object lessons. Teachers must be interested in the work. Samples of drawings were shown indicating what children in the work of the stroyed to the stroyed to the stroyed to the stroyed together with some 15,000 feet of lumber. Origin of the fire is unknown. Loss about \$4,500, with partial insurance. can do under proper training. The enthusiasm of Miss Snow in presenting this outline of work is indicative of the interest she awakens in her charge. Her S. H. Niles, Jay, showed six plates all soul is in her work and she inspired her hearers with her own enthusiasm. Her lecture was a fitting close to the exmeeting. The only feature to mar the success of the occasion being the storm blockade which prevented the attenance desired.

> Among the farmers present were, R W. Kyes, Jay; Silas H. Niles, Jay; A. C. Jay; S. M. Keep, Jay; A. R. Kyes, Jay Warren Leland, Jay; F. H. Hussey, Jay Pearl Fuller, Jay; Elmer Bryant, Jay; Salsbury Leland, Wilton; J. H. Emery, Jay; F. A. Emery, Jay. Papers represented at the meeting: Express & Advertiser, Livermore Falls,

by E. A. Hall; Lewiston Journal, by L. F. Abbott; Maine Farmer, by Z. A. Gilbert, Agricultural Editor, and Dr. G. M. Twitchell, Editor. The need of a good Spring medicine is almost universal and Hood's Sarsaparilla exactly meets this need. Be sure to get Hood's.

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State News.

Rufus E. McDonald, aged 28 died in report at the annual meeting of the the chair while having 28 teeth extracted by a local dentist, at Biddeford, Tuesday. Omer Littlefield, the 16-year-old Green ville lad, who was lost in the woods, las Wednesday night, died Friday morni without recovering consciousness.

The regular order of the evening was then opened by music by a male quarture with organ accompaniment, which Saturday morning. He was 20 years old and belonged in Patten.

The granite business in Jonesboro is a great help to the town. The Bodwell season, and Booth Brothers built a rail- decided to turn him over to the Supreme

Rev W F Small of North Apson has erty.

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the previous speaker. Miss Snows lecture was largely a rehearsal of what is being done in the city over whose enveloped in the flames. The good lady in Foxcroft, 69 years of age, who walked two miles through noting the different kinds, their pecu- the woods on snow shoes to render help to a sick lady until the doctor could arrive, is the kind of a Christian that the

community can appreciate, whatever her There is so much snow in some sec northern section five feet on a level is

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The ice business at Richmond has taken a jump during the past few days. Operations were begun at Thwing's Point, Monday, and a large crew will be set to work at the Lincoln, Wednesday morning, the weather being favorable. The present indications are that a large amount will yet be harvested in this rightits.

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A sad accident occurred in Rockport about 3.0 clock Monday afternoon. R. E. A. Shibles was warming some cartridges in a pump house in one of the S. E. & H. S. Shepherd quarries, when by some unknown reason the cartridges exploded, and as a result Mr. Shibles was severely injured and cannot live. The severely injured and cannot live. The pump house was entirely destroyed, Mr. Shibles being thrown into the quarry, several feet below.

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Walter T. Sands, a flagman at the Maine Central railroad station at Ellsworth, was run over by the 11 o'clock down freight Monday, both legs being crushed. The train was being made up and Sands was help-

og, and although the trainmen say it was ing, and atthough the trainmen say it was not his duty, it appears that their objec-tions to his assistance could not have been very strong, for he was intrusted with somebody's duty of coupling to-

gether two cars.

The law court of Maine has decided for the plaintiffs in the five cases against the town of Foxcroft in which the invalid notices of its embezzling Treasurer, Judge Hale, were involved. Judge Hale was a suicide on detection, and at once his books, which had been kept without bonds or examination for 30 years, were found to be in a tangle. Embezzlement was soon discovered and the town sought to free itself from the obligations carried

by its dead Treasurer. Rumor has it that Frank Peavy of Minneapolis, a wealthy grain dealer, is seriously thinking of establishing an elevator system in Eastport. Mr. Peavy was a former Eastport boy, and still re-tains a deep respect for his mother city, and is ever interested in her welfare and prosperity. It was he that gave the magnificent public library; and recently he has donated the liberal sum of \$500 toward the contemplated new high chool building.

The Supreme court at Dover is wrest-ling with some of the celebrated Hale cases and public interest is excited over the decisions expected in June. A compromise is suggested but at the best there is likely to be tedious legislation. Even if in the long run the town is freed from all responsibility it will have incurred great expense by years of litigation. Busness is hurt, as well, no new corporations being willing to go into the town and build a factory and in a few years, perhaps, be subjected to an enormous to help pay the town debt caused Judge Hale's rash deed.

The farm buildings of Ellery L. Bow den in So. Orrington, were destroyed by fire, Saturday. Mr. Bowden went into fire, Saturday. Mr. Bowden went into the woods with three men to chop wood. the woods with three men to chop wood, leaving at home his wife with an infant child and a young girl who had been hired to do housework. The day was cold and the fire in the stove had been kept burning hard all day, and owing to that fact it is believed that the chimney became heated sufficiently to ignite the woodwork. He had saved quite a new woodwork. He had saved quite a sum of money to pay off his men, but it was burned up, together with all the clothes and furniture save a few small things on the first floor. Loss \$1500: insured for \$700 in the Grange Mutual Insurance Co.

The Machias Republican says: Allen & Gleason at the Porcupines, Perry, have a crew of ninety men on the railroad and are pushing business notwithstanding the disagreeable weather. C. J. Wright, who has a sub-contract from Allen & Gleason, to grade part of the road lead-ing out of Pembroke, has taken another grade, a part of the road where it crosses he Pennamaquan river, which will neces-itate a large amount of filling in on both ides, to receive the span that will be built across it at that point. Contractor R. F. Rivinae of the Washington county railroad, closed a trade with C. B. Wil-kins last week, to grade 13 miles of the oad, running East of Machias. Down Easters are now talking of a regular train ervice by August.

One of the good effects of the Sportsman's Exhibition in Boston and New York, is that a big boom is promised for the Penobscot Indians of Old Town, in the way of bas-ket making. For years the Old Town Indians have been making large quantities of baskets which they have disposed of themselves or through Hunt & Stowe, as agents. The field for their work is apparently broadening, and what now promises to be a boom for the coming son may mean years instead of onths of business for the industrious dians. For several days, W. H. Harding of New York, a large dealer in basket ares, with headquarters in New York and Boston, has been in Old Town making arrangements for a large stock of each, pacers and trotters in these classes askets to be made by the Indians.

to blow up the boiler at the Reform School, has made a full confession. He states that he took a shovelful of coals from the furnace and threw them in a closet where there was a lot of rope and other waste matter. He then closed the door and moved the safety valve weight so that the steam would not escape when the safety limit. not escape when the safety limit was reached. He went to a safe distance and climbed a tree to watch the explosion.

The rules governing these explosion. races will be strictly followed. Te gave no cause for his act.

would soon have been enjoying his lib- Total for meeting, \$22,500. One of the most important business that of the sale of the Wild River Lumber company's property and business to a syndicate of capitalists from different \$1,000; 2.19, \$1,000; 2.19, \$1,000; 2.19, \$1,000; 2.19, \$1,000; 2.19, \$1,000; 2.19, \$1,000; 2.19, \$1,000; 2.10, \$1,000; 2 ting 2.42, \$1,500; 2.32, \$1,500; 2.27, half times the faince seven years ago. Hastings is the \$1,500; 2.22, \$1,500; 2.17, \$2,500; 2.15, tute it for bran. since seven years ago. Hastings is the name given to that postoffice established g by request of the company and is three and one-half miles from Gilead station on the Grand Trunk railway. The company constructed a railroad from Gilead to Hastings which it runs and operates in connection with its business. It has leave mill for the manufacture of lumbers. large mill for the manufacture of lum ber, a large store and boarding house, shops, etc., and 20 or more dwelling houses. In fact there is a small village, all owned by the company. The company owns timber lands in Maine and some 48,000 acres in New Hampshire. It has been doing a large business and has been very successful.

has been very successful.

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Our cotton mill remains closed in consequence of a cut down of 10 per cent. in wages of the operatives and a strike. A wages of the operatives and a strike. A large lot of cotton was received last week.—Fire wood is lower in price this winter than it has been for many years winter than it has been for many years.
The best quality of rock maple wood
sells at \$4 per cord and pine at \$2.—The
remains of Mrs. Owen Howard of Manchester, N. H., were brought here for
burial last week. She resided here till a
few years since.—Our town meeting
comes off in a few days and there are a
large number of candidates anxious to The riches of America, in which Maine American Paper and Pulp Association at New York, when President Hugh J. large number of candidates anxious to Chisholm mentioned the fact that while fill the offices. Hope that the assertion in the whole of Europe there were only in the whole of Europe W. Kyes, Jay; Silas H. Niles, Jay; A. C. Instrument of Europe there were only of a writer in the New England Monthly 31 varieties of forest trees, America had is not true in our town, that the "princi-A sad accident occurred in Rockport about 3.0 clock Monday afternoon. R. E. A. Shibles was warming some cartidges in a pump house in one of the S. development of a similar case to the selectmen of the selectmen in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectmen in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment in Maine towns is to condone with the rum sell-selectment of the selectment of the

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Maine State Fair Stakes The Trustees have very wisely decided o drop the two-year-old stakes, and the following is the list fixed at the late neeting at Auburn:

pacing stake foals of 1894, \$400. These foals of 1894 must be eligible to 2.35 class, May 16. Trotting stake foals of 1895, \$400 pacing stake foals of 1895, \$400. These

Trotting stake foals of 1894, \$400

foals must be eligible to 2.40 class, May Entry fee 5% of stake, payable, \$6 May 16, when colt must be named; \$8 June 5, and \$6 July 15.

Trotting stake for aged horses, 2.45 2.30, 2.25 classes, \$400 each; pacing stake for aged horses, 2.50, 2.33, 2.25, \$400 all to be eligible May 16. Entry fee 5 Archie Kidder, the boy who attempted of stake, payable as follows: \$6 May 16,

The rules governing these entries and

August 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5-Trotting, 2.50,

August 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26-Trotting 2.40, \$1,000; 2.35, \$1,000; 2.29, \$1,000; transfers which has occurred for years is 2.24, \$1,000; 2.53, \$1,000; 2.26, \$1,000; that of the sale of the Wild River Lum-

\$2,500; 2.11, \$2,000. Pacing, 2.36, \$1,500; 2.26, \$1,500; 2.19, \$2,000; 2.15, \$3,000; 2.12, \$2,000; 2.10, \$3,000; 2.08, \$2,000; 2.05, \$2,000. Total for meeting, \$30,000.



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KENNEBEC COUNTY. In Probate Court, at Augusta, on the second Monday of February, 1898.

A CERTAIN INSTRUMENT, purporting to be the last will and testament of CHARLES M. COLEMAN, late of Vassalboro, in said county, deceased, having been presented for probate: ORDERED, That notice thereof be given three weeks successively, prior to the second Monday of March next, in the Maine Famer, a newspaper printed in Augusta, that all persons interested may attend at a Court of Probate, then to be holden at Augusta, and show cause, if any, why the said instrument should not be proved, approved and allowed as the last will and testament of the said deceased.

Attest: W. A. Newcomb, Register. 17

Y ENNEBEC COUNTY. . In Probate Court

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KENNEBEC COUNTY... In Probate Court at Augusta, in vacation, Feb. 18, 1898.

A CREATAIN INSTRUMENT, purporting to be the last will and testament of STEPHEN A. RUSSELL. late of Augusta, in said county, deceased, having been presented for probate: Orneren, That notice thereof be given three weeks successively prior to the second Monday of March next. in the Maine Farmer, a newspaper printed in Augusta, that all persons interested may attend at a Court of Probate them to be held at Augusta, and show cause, if any, why the said instrument should not be proved, approved and allowed, as the last will and testament of the said deceased.

Attent: W. A. NEWCOMB. Register. 17

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and capacities of plants, their laws of is made to serve a practical purpose in shall be of the greatest value there must be the fullest sympathy between its officers and the people whose interests it

omise success in this direction. Mr. Pope suggested that this problem was by no means a simple one. Cater pillars travel after their feeding ground

stroying them by ordinary methods. Mr. Geo. T. Powell, Ghent, N. Y.

cannot be set down. Much depends on

the trees. It is important that these spores be destroyed. In answer to question from Mr Wooster, Prof. Munson stated that plants may be improved by culture. Some varieties of tomatoes run out by deterioration. Some change by improvement

stock. Is careful to take these buds from trees that suit his ideas of what

Is it not better to take such a tree as

ort to seedling stock? experience has proved that the season of lish in full in a later issue. ripeness or maturity is modified. Has an orchard of Twenty Ounce worked on Early Harvest, which gives him mature

The fruit exhibition, of course, was not of the importance usually attaching to this feature of the meeting, yet was not without interest. Several contributions from growers in Franklin county On the tables were some plates of our

largest exhibitor, showing plates of eleven varieties. His Granite Beauty was D. P. True, Leeds, had nine plates. His Baldwins, Bellflowers and Kings

A few hours later he returned, bringin

"Now, all I want," he said in a mos

businesslike voice, laying the document be fore Arnold, "is just your signature."

thing I'm most particular about giving."

village, I think, the better."

Arnold read over the agreement with

smile. "Im rather proud of that clause, I foresaw that that interminably obtrusive

old conscience of yours would step in with one of its puritanical objections if I didn't

distinctly stipulate for that exact proviso, so I made them put it in, and now I'm sure I don't know what you can possibly stick at, for it merely provides that they will pay

you 15 per cent on any precious book you may care to write, and they're so perfectly

sure of seeing their money again that they'll give you £100 down on the nail for the mere

Can't you see, you donkey, that if they

want to be insured against the chance of

without heeding him. He had a hansom

"To Stanley & Lockhart's," he cried, eagerly, "near Hyde Park corner." And

Arnold was left alone to reflect with him

In half an hour once more Mortimer was

"Now, that's a bargain," he said cheerily.
"We've sent it off to be duly stamped at
Somerset House, and then you can't go back

upon it without gross breach of contract. You're booked for it now, thank heaven.

"and I'm sure I don't care. But I do know this: If you try to get out of it now on the

typewriter Arnold turned toward Cornhill.
"Well, what are you up to now?" Mortimer inquired suspiciously.

my life for £100 in case I should die, don't you know, before I finished my novel." Next instant several people in Cheapside were immensely surprised by the singular spectacle of a mild faced gentleman in frock coat and chimney pot hat shaking his

companion vigorously, as a terrier shakes a

"Now, look here, you know, Willoughby," the mild faced gentleman remarked in a low but very decided voice, "I've got the whip hand of you, and I'm compelled to use

CHAPTER XXIX.

ARNOLD'S MASTERPIECE.

In spite of hard fare and occasiona

in waiting below

back, quite radiant.

omise to write it."

"Mr. Lockhart says, sir, could you speak to him for one moment?"
"Certainly," Mr. Stanley answered. "Will you excuse me a minute, if you please, Mr. Willoughby? There's the last review of your book. Perhaps you'd like to glance at it." And with another queer look he dis-

appeared mysteriously.
"Well," he said to his partner as soon as they were alone in Mr. Lockhart's sanctum, "what on earth does this mean? Do you suppose somebody else has offered him higher terms than he thinks he'll get from us? Jones & Burton may have bribed him. He's a thundering liar anyway, and one doesn't know what the dickens to believe

'No," Mr. Lockhart replied confidently. "That's not it, I'm sure, Stanley. If he were a rogue, he'd have pocketed our check without a word and taken his next book all the same to the other people. It isn't that, I'm certain, as sure as my name's Lockhart. Don't you see what it is? The fellow's mad. He really thinks now he didn't write the 'Seadog.' Success has turned his head. It's an awful pity. He began with the story as an innocent decep n: he went on with it afterward as an excellent advertisement. Now he's gone off his head with unexpected triumph and really believes he didn't write it, but dised it. However, it's all the same to ns. I tell you what we must do—ask him if ever he discovers any more interesting manuscripts to give us the first refusal of his translation or decipherment."

But when they returned a few minute later with this notable proposition Arnold could only burst out laughing. "No, no," he said, really amused at last. "I see what you think. Mr. Mortimer will

tell you I'm as sane as you are. You fancy I'm mad, but you're mistaken. However estly promise you what you askthat if I have ever again any publishing business to transact I will bring my work first to you for refusal.'

So the interview ended. Comic as it was from one point of view, it yet saddened Arnold somewhat. He couldn't help being struck by this persistent fate which made him all through life be praised or admired not for what he really was or really had done, but for some purely adventitious or even unreal circumstance. He went away and re sumed once more his vain search for work. But as day after day went by, and he found nobody ready to employ a practically one armed man, with no recommendation save

armed man, with no recommendation save that of having served his time as a com-mon sailor, his heart sank within him. The weather grew colder, too, and his weak lung began to feel the chilly fogs of London. Worst of all, he was keeping Kathleen also in England, for she wouldn't go south and leave him, though her work demanded that she should winter, as usual, in Venice, where she could paint the range of subjects for which alone, after the hateful fashion of the present day, she could find a ready market. All this made Arnold not a little anxious, the more so as his £50, no matter how well husbanded, were beginning to run out and leave his exche empty. In this strait it was once more Ru-fus Mortimer, their unfailing friend, who came to Arnold's and Kathleen's assist-He went round to Arnold's rooms

are afternoon full of serious warning.
"Look here, my dear Willoughby," he
id, "there is such a thing as carrying conscientious scruples to an impracticable excess. I don't pretend to act up to my principles myself. If I did, I should be comsell all I have, like you, and give t to the poor or their modern equivalent. whatever that may be, in the dominant pomy of the moment. But so how I don't feel inclined to go such lengths for my principles. I lock them up in a cabinet as interesting curiosities. Still you, you know, rush into the opposite extreme. you know, rush into the opposite extre The past is past and can't, of course, be un-lone, though I don't exactly see that you were bound in the first instance quite so utterly to disinherit yourself-to cut yourself

off with the proverbial shilling.

"But as things now stand I think it's not right of you, merely for the sake of paments." pering your individual conscience-which, fter all, may be just as much mistaken as anybody else's conscience—to let Miss Hes-alegrave live in such perpetual anxiety on your behalf. For her sake, I feel sure, you ought to make up your mind to sacrifice to some extent your personal scruples and at least have a try at writing something or other of your own for Stanley & Lockhart. You could publish it simply under your present name as Arnold Willoughby, without reference in any way to the 'Eliza-bethan Seadog,' and if in spite of all your repeated disclaimers people still persist in describing you as the author of the book you only translated, why, that's their fault, not yours, and I don't see why you need trouble yourself one penny about it."
"I've thought of that these last few days," Arnoid answered, yielding slightly, "and I've even begun to plan out a skele-

to plot for a projected story, but then it's, oh, so different from 'An Elizabethan Sea-dog'—a drama of the soul, a very serious performance. I couldn't really imagine anything myself in the least like Master John Collingham's narrative. I've no taste for romance. What I think I might do is a story of the sad lives of the seafaring folk have lived and worked among-a realistic tale of hard toil and incessant privation and heroic suffering. But all that's so dif-ferent from the Elizabethan buccaneer that I don't suppose any publisher would care

"Don't you believe it," Mortimer answered, with decision. "They'd jump at it like grizzlies. Your name would be enough now to make any book go. I don't say more than one. If your next should be a failure, you'll come down like a stick as you went up like a rocket. "I was thinking," Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, in justice to Stanley & Lockhart, to insure my life for £100 in case I should die, don't you know, before I finished my novel." Next instant several you went up like a rocket. "I was thinking," Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, a pure in justice to Stanley & Lockhart, to insure my life for £100 in case I should die, don't you went up like a rocket. "I was thinking," Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, a pure in justice to Stanley & Lockhart, to insure my life for £100 in case I should die, don't you went up like a stick as you went up like a rocket. "I was thinking," Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, but he will be a like grizzlies. Your name would be enough now to make any book go. I don't say more than one. If your next should be a failure, you'll come down like a stick as you went up like a rocket. "I was thinking," Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, but he was the like grizzlies." I was thinking, "Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, but he was thinking." Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, but he was the like grizzlies." I was thinking, "Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, but he was the like grizzlies." I was thinking." Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, but he was the like grizzlies." I was thinking." Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, but he was the like grizzlies." I was thinking." Arnold said, with some little hesitation, "whether I oughtn't, but he was the like grizzlies." I was thinking." Arnold said, with some litt than one of these straw fires flame to heav en in my time, both in literature and art, and I know how they burn out after the first flareup—a mere flash in the pan, a red blaze of the moment. But at any rate you could try. If you succeeded, well and good; if not, you'd at least be not a penny worse

whip hand of you, and I'm compelled to use it. You listen to what I say. If you spend one penny of that hundred pounds, which I regard as to all practical intents and purposes Miss Hessiegrave's, in any other way than you are at present."
Well, I've worked up my subject a bit fully, "and I almost think I see my way to something that might possibly stand a chance of taking the public, but there's the difficulty of writing it. What can I do with this maimed hand? It won't except to go to Venice and write this nove which must really be a first rate one—I'll tell you what I'll do—I'll publicly reveal the disgraceful fact that you're a British peer and all the other equally disgraceful facts of your early life, your origin and anld a pen, and though I've tried with my left I find it such slow work as far as I've The practical consequence of which awful threat was that by the next day but one Kathleen and Arnold were on their way south together, bound for their respective lodgings, as of old, in Venice.

yet got on with it."
"Why not have a typewriter?" Mortin exclaimed, with the quick practical sense of his countrymen. "You could work it with hand, not quite so quickly as with o, of course, but still pretty easily." I thought of that, too,"Arnold answered, looking down. "But they cost £20. And I haven't £20 in the world to bless myself

"If you'd let me make you a present of te," Mortimer began, but Arnold checked in with a hasty wave of that imperious short commons that winter at Venice was a happy one for Arnold. For Kathleen it was simply the seventh heaven. Every

hand.
"Not for her sake?" the American murmured in a very low voice.
And Arnold answered gently. "No, dear Mortimer, you kind, good friend, not even for her sake. There are still a few preju

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Mortimer rose from his seat.

"Well, leave it to me," he said briskly
"I think I see a way out of it," and he
left the room in haste, much to Arnold's Our Book "Treatment for Diseases and Care of Sick Room," Mailed Free. Sold by all Druggists. I. S. JOHNSON & CO., 22 Custom House Street. Boston Mos-

with him in triumph a mysterious paper of most legal dimensions. It was folded in three and engrossed outside with big black een drank to the full through one deliletters, which seemed to imply that "this ious winter. What matter to her that difficulties and doubts as ever? Meanwhile teresting."
she had Arnold. She lived in the present. "Oh, Mr. Mortimer, how can you?" "My signature!" Arnold answered, with she had Arnold. She lived in the present, as is the wont of women, and she enjoyed the present a great deal too much to be sea glance at the red wafers that adorned the instrument. "Why, that's just the very usly alarmed for that phantom, the fu-"Oh, but this is quite simple, I assure you," Mortimer replied, with a persuasive smile. "This is just a small agreement with Stanley & Lockhart. They covenant ture. Besides, she had such absolute conto pay you £100 down. Look here, I've got eck in my pocket already—the merest formality—by way of advance on the royal-ties of a book you engage to write for them —a work of fiction, of whatever sort you choose, length, size and style to be left to your discretion. And they're to publish it when complete in the form that may seem to them most suitable for the purpose, givassed through so many phases, who had nown all the varied turns and twists of on them most suitable for the purpose, giv-ing you 15 per cent on the net price of all copies sold in perpetuity. And if I were you, Willoughby, I'd accept it offhand, and I'll tell you what I'd do—I'd start off at once posthaste to Venice, where you'd be near Miss Hesslegrave, and where she and you could talk the book over together while in progress." He descript it is not a progress." life from the highest to the lowest, who had lived and thought and felt and acted, be able to produce some work of art far finer and truer and more filling to the brain than Master John Collingham, the ignorant bully of an obscure village in Elizabethan Norfolk? To be sure, Arnold, more justly conscious of his own powers and his own failings, warned her not to place her ardent hopes too high, not to credit him with literary gifts he didn't while in progress." He dropped his voice a little. "Seriously, my dear fellow," he said, "you both of you look ill, and the sooner you can get away from this squalid possess, and above all not to suppose that knowledge or power or thought or experi-ence would ever sell a book as well as novcritical eye.

"I see," he said, "they expressly state that they do not hold me to have written 'An Elizabethan Seadog,' but merely to have discovered, deciphered and edited it."

"Yes," Mortimer replied, with a cheerful elty, adventure and mere flashy qualities. In spite of all he could say Kathleen peraisted in believing in Arnold's story till she fairly frightened him. He couldn't bear to fix his mind on the rude awaken-

ing that no doubt awaited her. For, after all, he hadn't the slightest reason to suppose he possessed literary ability. His momentary vogue was altogether due to his lucky translation of a work of adventure whose once real merit lay in the go and verve of its Elizabethan narrator. He had been driven against his will into the sea of authorship, for navigat ing which he felt he had no talent, by Rufus Mortimer in dire conspiracy with Stan-ley & Lockhart. Nothing but disastrous failure could possibly result from such an undertaking. He dreaded to wake up and find himself branded by the entire critical

promise to write it."
"But suppose I were to die meanwhile,"
Arnold objected, still staring at it. "What
insurance could they give themselves?"
Rufus Mortimer seized his friend by the press of England as a rank impostor.

However, being by nature a born worker—a quality which he had inherited from waist perforce, pushed him bodily into a Mad Axminster-once he had undertaker waise perioree, pushed him bouly into a chair, placed a pen in his left hand and laid the document before him. "Upon my soul," he said, half humorous-ly, half angrily, "that irrepressible con-science of yours is enough to drive any sane man out of his wits. There! Not another to supply Stanley & Lockhart with a novel unspecified, he worked at it with a will, determined to give them in return for their money the very best failure of which his soul was capable. With this in-tent he plied his typewriter. one handed, morning, noon and night, while Kathleen word. Take the pen and sign. Thank heaven, thet's done. I didn't ever think I often dropped in at odd moments to write for him from dictation and to assist him could get you to do it. Now, before you've time to change what you're pleased to call with her advice, her suggestions and her your mind I shall rush off in a caband car-ry this straight to Stanley & Lockhart. "Sign the receipt for the £100 at once. That's right! One must treat you like a

A good woman can admire anything the man of her choice may happen to do. Kathleen, therefore, that first callow novel of Arnold Willoughby's, "A Romance of Great Grimsby," was from its very incepchild, I see, or there's no doing anything with you. Now I'm off. Don't you move from your chair till I come back again. tion one of the most beautiful, most divinely inspired, most noble works of art ever dreamed or produced by the human intellect. She thought it simply lovely. Nothing had yet been drawn more exquiyour death that's their affair, not yours, and that they have insured themselves already a dozen times over with the 'Elizato scorn, and how The Antiquated Growler would find it "dull and uninteresting, not to say positively vulgar," she thought it impossible to believe him. Nobody could read that grim story, she felt sure, with-

out being touched by its earnestness, its reality and its beauty. All that winter through Arneld and his occasional amanuensis worked hard at the novel that was the man's last bid for a bare subsistence. He felt it so himself. If that failed, he knew no hope was left for him. He must give up all thoughts of Kathleen or of life. He must creep into Whether you can or can't, you've got to write a novel. You're under agreement to supply one, good, bad or indifferent. Next you must come out with me and choose a typewriter. We'll see for ourselves which is the best adapted to a man with one hand. And after that we'll go straight and call on Miss Hesslegrave, for I shan't be satisfied his hole, like a wounded dog, to die there quietly. Not that Arnold was at all of a despondent nature. On the contrary, few nen were so light and buoyant, but the now till I've packed you both off by quick train to Venice." off being an earl made him naturally dis-trustful of what the future might have in "I wonder," Arnold said, "if ever fiction before was so forcibly extorted by brute violence from any man."
"I don't know," Mortimer answered, store for him. Nevertheless, being one o the sort who never say die, he went on with his story with a valorous heart, for was it not for Kathleen? And if he failed, he thought to himself more than once with plea of compulsion—why, to prove you wrong and show you're in every way a free agent, I'm hanged if I don't brain you." As they went away from the shop where they had finally selected the most suitable just pride, he would have the consolation of knowing that he had failed in spite of his best endeavor. The fault then would lie not with himself, but with nature. The est of us can never transcend his own fac-

Rufus Mortimer spent that winter partly in Paris, partly in Rome. He avoided Venice. Though his palazzo on the Grand canal lay empty all that year, he thought it best not to disturb Arnold's and Kathleen's felicity by interfering with their plans by obtruding his presence. But as spring came round he paid a hasty visit of a few short days to the city that floats in the glassy Adriatic. It seemed like old times both to Arnold and Kathleen when Rufus Mortimer's gondola, equipped as ever by the two handsome Venetians in maize colored asahes, called at the doors of their lodgings to take them out togethfer for their day's excursion. In the even-ing Rufus Mortimer dropped round to Kathleen's rooms. Arnold was there by appointment. He read aloud a chapter or two for Mortimer's critical opinion. He chose the episode of the skipper's marriage—the pathetic passage where Ralph Woodward makes his last appeal to Maggie Holdsworth, and the touching scene where Maggie at last goes forth, with her

with her lover by her side to see him and to talk with him. That feminine joy Kathple domestic story. My experience is that when once a man has stood on his head to amuse the public the public will never alperhaps at the end of it Arnold's projected low him to stand on his feet again. And book might prove a dismal failure—in which case, of course, they would be who read Master John Collingham may a world will one how show and write and a world will one how show and write and a world will one how show and write and a world will one how show and write and a world will one how show and write and a world will one how show and write and a world will one how show and write and a world will one how show and write and a world will one how show and write and a world will one how show and write and a world will one how a world will be will be will be write and will be write at the world will be write and will be write a world will be write and will be write and write a world write a world will be write and write a world write a world will be write and write a world write a world will be write and write a world write a w Over and over, and over again, which case, of course, they would be be plunged once more into almost as profound

Kathleen exclaimed, quite horrified.

"He's quite right, Kitty," Arnold answered—it was Arnold and Kitty nowadays between them. "I've felt that myself didence in Arnold! She knew he could write something ten thousand times better than the "Elizabethan Seadog." That, after all, was a mere tale of adventure, well suited to the grown upchildish taste of the passing moment. Arnold's novel, she felt certain, would be ever so much more noble and elevated in kind. Must not a man like Arnold, who had seen and erature how the British public may hap-And he went to bed that night in dis

tinctly low spirits.

A week later the manuscript was duly onveyed to London by Arnold in person Kathleen followed a few days after, out of deference to Mrs. Grundy. Arnold was too shy or too proud to take the manu-script himself round to Stanley & Lockhart, but Mortimer bore it thither for him in fear and trembling. Scarcely had Mr. Stanley glanced at the book when his countenance fell. He turned over a page or two. His mouth went down ominously. "Well, this is not the sort of thing should have expected from Mr. Willough-by," he said, with frankness. "It's the exact antipodes, in style, in matter, in treatment and in purpose, of the 'Elizabethan Seadog.' I doubt whether it's at all the

sort of book to catch the public nowada Seems a decade or two behind the tim We've got past that type of novel. It's domestic purely. We're all on adventur So I was afraid," Mortimer answer 'but at any rate I hope you'll do the best

you can for it now you've got it."
"Oh, certainly," Mr. Stanley answered
in no very reassuring voice. "Of course
we'll do our level best for it. We've bought it and paid for it-in part at least and we're not likely under these circum not to do our level best for it." "Willoughby retains an interest in it you remember," Rufus Mortimer went on You recollect, I suppose, that he retains

"You recollect, I suppose, that he retains
15 per cent interest in it."

"Oh, certainly," Mr. Stanley answered.
"I recollect perfectly. Only I'm afraid,
to judge by the look of the manuscript,
which is dull at first sight—undeniably
dull—he hasn't much chance of getting
more out of it than the £100 we've paid
him in advance on account of revalties." him in advance on account of royalties This was disappointing news to Morti

mer, for he knew Arnold had spent a fair part of that hundred on his living ex-penses in Venice, and where he was to turn in the future for support, let alone for the means to marry Kathleen, Morti-mer could form no sort of conception. He could only go on hoping against hope that the book might "pan out" better than Stanley & Lockhart supposed-that the public might see things in a different light from the two trade experts.

Three days later Mr. Stanley came down

to the office much perturbed in spirit. "I say, Lockhart," he cried, "I've been reading over this new thing of Willough-by's—this 'Romance of Great Grimsby,' "Stop, stop a moment?" Arnold cried, some new scruple suggesting itself, but Mortimer rushed headlong down the stairs without heeding him. He had a head a least grant and lean limbed shirms. We had a head a least grant and lean limbed shirms. worth's character, nothing more stern or somber or powerful than the figure of the gaunt and lean limbed skipper. It was tragedy to her—real high class tragedy. When Arnold hinted gently how The Hebdomadal Scarifier would laugh his pathos and stull sticks to the discovered and transcribed that manuscript. He's written the discovered and the statement of the discovered and transcribed that manuscript. He's written the discovered and the statement of the discovered and the statement of the statement of the discovered and the statement of the stat mad and still sticks to it he discovered and transcribed that manuscript. He's writ ten this thing now in order to prove to us how absolutely different his own natural style is. And he's proved it with a vengeance! It's as dull as ditch water. I don't believe we shall ever sell out the first

"We can get it all subcribed beforehand I think," his partner answered, "on the strength of the 'Seadog.' The libraries will want a thousand copies among them And, after all, it's only the same thing and, after all, it's only the same thing as if he had taken the £100 we offered him in the first instance. We shall be no more out of pocket if this venture fails than we should have been if he'd accepted our

check last summer."
"Well, we'd better pull off only as many as we think the demand will run to," Mr. Stanley continued, with caution. "It'll be asked for at first, of course, on the mer its of the 'Seadog,' but as soon as people begin to find out for themselves what fee-ble trash it really is they won't want any

more of it. 'Poor pap.' I call it!''
So the great novel which had cost Arnold and Kathleen so many pangs of production came out in the end in its regulation three volumes just like any other There was an initial demand for it, o

There was an initial demand for it, of course, at Mudie's, that Arnold had counted upon. Anything which bore the name of the "editor" of "An Elizabethan Seadog" on the title page could hardly have fared otherwise. But he waited in profound anxiety for what the reviews would say of it. This was his own first book, for the "Seadog" was but a transcript, and it would make or may him as an original transcript would make or may him as an original transcript. and it would make or mar him as an orig inal author.
Oddly enough, they had longer to wait

for reviews than in the case of Arnold Willoughby's first venture. It was the height of the publishing season. Editors tables were groaning with books of travel, and biographies, and three volume novels, and epochs of history boiled down for the consumption of the laziest intellects. week or two passed, and still no notice of the "Romance of Great Grimsby." At last one afternoon Arnold passed down the Strand and stopped to buy an influential e of Great Grimsby." At last evening paper on the bare chance of a criticism. His heart gave a bound. Yes, there it was on the third page—"Mr. Arnold Willoughby's New Departure."

where Maggie at last goes forth, with her baby in her arms, in search of Enoch.

"Isn't it lovely?" Kathleen exclaimed, with her innocent faith, as soon as Arnold had finished. "I tell Arnold he needn't be afraid of its reception. This is ten times as fine as the 'Elizabethan Seadog."

"I don't feel quite certain," Mortimer answered, nursing his chin and conscious of his responsibility. He feared to raise their hopes by too favorable an opinion. "I don't seem to recognize it's just the sort of thing the public wants. Doesn't it lack dramatic interest? You and I may admire certain parts very much, and I confess there were passages that brought tears into my eyes, but the real question is, will the world at large like it—will it suit the great public at Smith's and Mudie's? We must remember that Willoughby's a quite new author. The very fact that the world expects from him something like the 'Elizabethan Sendog." [TO BE CONTINUED.]

UNDER THE SNOW.

In the Antumn day when the leaves were red

Where the ferns grow, And tuck a hood o'er each little head Of the baby fronds, e'er the days are sped, And the glories of Autumn are buried and

There are buds of arbutus blooms to mould Just a thought, a germ, for the vines to hold.
And millions of tiny leaves to fold,
Under the glow
Of the Autumn's red and the Autumn's gold,

On the stem and twig and the branches bold With sheaths to shield from the Winter's cold And Winter's snow.
"Cells are to make in the bo-om so wide
Of the soft brown earth these seeds to hide; flower, weed and shrub, each side by side,

Ever must grow.

The heart of the fruit must be on the tree. The cup for the grape's sweet alchemy: The wheat and the grass all covered be, Under the snow.

o waits the Spring-time under the snow. Waits for the arbutus buds to blow, Waits for the ferns their plumes to show, The seed to grow. o waits the harvest of golden grain,

Under the snow and under the rain.

The beauty of life is buried to-day, The hopes and joys too bright to stay, Buried so low! But the sweetest thing we have on earth

dearth, Under life's snov

-Esther T. Housh in Boston Transcript. MERICA'S FIRST WOMAN AERONAUT

Forty-three years ago, on the 25th of January, 1855, Mrs. Lucretia Bradley Hubbell of Franklin street, Norwich, Conn., nade a balloon ascension at Easton, Pa

story; for in those days the world had not become accustomed to the achiever nents of the new woman, and as Mrs. Hubbell proudly states, she was "the first lady aeronaut in the country."

The ascension was made in a beautiful silk balloon, purchased from the Crystal Palace Company, and which was named "The Industry of All Nations." Mrs. Hubbell was not then married, and was engaged in giving a series of nightly lectures on phrenology. It is interesting to hear her tell of the circumstances which influenced her to risk a journey to the clouds-a premonition that such a trip was allotted her, that she would make it in perfect safety, and, as she says, she went for pleasure, and for the longevity t gave in expanding the lungs."

Thirty thousand people had congre gated in Easton to witness the ascension The weather was cold, and although the feeling of security and elation was delightful, as the great silken sphere shot upwards, the courageous passenger in the car found her hands becoming benumbed with cold. At last she was forced to lift the bags of ballast with her feet and to untie the knots with her teeth. This was the only unpleasant feature of the journey. She was absolutely without fear.

The ascent was made at 11 A. M. The alloon stayed up twenty minutes. When an altitude of three miles had been attained the balloon burst; but by the happiest chance the silken remnants formed a sort of sail, and the fair and fearless eronaut was wafted fully eleven miles before the car descended with cruel force in a New Jersey clover field. Even then she landed upon her feet, and although there was a wild scurry of horsemen and other spectators of her aerial flight to her rescue, and although there were those in the mad rush who offered bets as to her probable death, she came out of the ordeal without a scrate evening lectured in Easton in a hall which held two thousand persons, and from which fully one thousand others were turned away in disappointment being unable to gain admission.

This balloon episode is only one inci dent in the varied career of Mrs. Hut bell. The facts in her history are strange than much fiction .- Norwich Bulletin.

SOME SAMPLES OF SPELLING.

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gargle babi's throte and obleage." An anxious mother writes:

"You will ples give the little boi fiv ents worth of epcac for to throw up in a five months old babe. N. B.-The babe has a sore stummick. This one puzzled the druggist:

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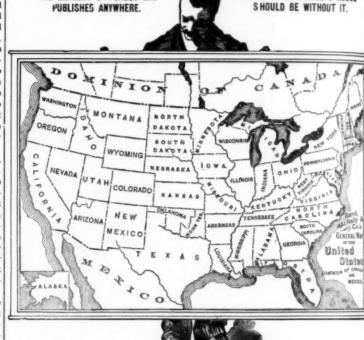
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"Dear Dochter, ples gif barer five know
ense worse of Auntie Toxyn for to How we always would send one boy ahead,

In our childish rambles of long ago, To pick out a place for a pleasant rest, Where we all might sit-he has gone before It is only a few short years at best,
Before he will call us—to toil no more.
He has only gone by a shorter way To the resting place—no, he is not dead-Like the pioneer in our childish play, He has simply wandered off ahead,

Some faint conception of the destitudiagram. Please give my son something tion in the large cities may be gathered from the fact that a small army of un-employed men occupied the streets lead-ing to the State House, Boston, all night, inations in the mechanical department. were required, and many of the men who have been without work for months were desperate. In the morning the men were admitted in order and the 500 names were soon recorded. More than 1,000 blackberries I asked you to bring?"
were turned away. Such a per cent. of needy skilled workmen would not be "I did, mem."
"You are sure they are blackberries, found in any country town.

Lady (engaging servant)—"I ought to tell you that we are all strict teetotalers here. I suppose you won't mind that?" Mary Jane—"Oh, no, mum. I've been in a reformed drunkard's family before!"

If aught good thou caust not say
Of thy brother, foe, or friend,
Take thou, then, the silent way.
Lest in word thou shouldst offend.

Mistress-"Mary, didn't you hear the Maid—"Yes 'm; but it's probably somebody wants to see you. My company, you know, always calls at the back door."

history have borne nicknames. Franklin was "Poor Richard;" Andrew Jackson, "Old Hickory;" James Monroe, "The Honest Man;" Zachary Taylor, "Old Rough and Ready;" John Quincy Adams, "Old Man Eloquent;" James Buchanan, "Bachelor President; Abraham Lincoln, "The Rail Splitter U. S. Grant, "The Silent Man;" W. E. Gladstone, "Grand Old Man;" Daniel Webster, "Black Dan;" Sir Walter Scott, "The Wizard of the North;" Henry MacKenzie, "The Addison of the North;" William Cullen Bryant, "The Poet of Nature;" Roger Bacon, "Admirable Doctor;" Washington Irving, "Goldsmith of America;" Charles XII. of Sweden, "Alexander of the North;" Francesco Albani, "Anacreon of Paint order that they might be on hand ers;" Wendell Phillips, "Silver Tongued when the doors were opened this morning. Fully 1,500 mechanics out of employment comprised the gathering which Julius Jacob von Haynau. "Austrian during Jacob von Haynau." Orator;" Thomas Aquinas, "Angelic extended from the Mount Vernon street Julius Jacob von Haynau, "Austrian entrance down Beacon hill for two blocks. Hyena;" John A. Logan, "Black Jack;" The men were there because the Civil Service Commissioners that forenoon were to register 500 men for the examment of the Brave. Salmon P. Chase, est of the Brave. est of the Brave;" Salmon P. Chase, "Father of Greenbacks;" James Hogg, Painters, masons, iron workers, plumbers and tinsmiths were the tradesmen wanted. Nearly all seemed to be in ignorance of the fact that but 500 names wellington. "The Little Giant;" Duke of wellington. "The Iron Duke;" Elisha Wellington, "The Iron Duke;" Elisha "Bridget, did you bring up that jar of

"Yes, mem; but I had to open a dozen jars before I found them."

She (reading)-"Mice are fond of mu-He-"Just cut that out and I'll send it to the girl in the next flat."-Yonkers

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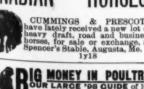
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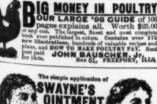
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"Bridget, did you bring up that jar of blackberries I asked you to bring?"
"I did, mem."
"You are sure they are blackberries,

"Yes, mem; but I had to open a dozen

She (reading)—"Mice are fond of mu-sic, and will get as close to it as they He—"Just cut that out and I'll send it to the girl in the next flat."—Yonkers

Van Eyster—"What do you suppose Shakapeare meant by 'the glass of fashion and the mould of form?" De Peyster—"Champagne and cor-sets."—Life.



The worth of Emma Westland was asily established in the sale ring as seen in the price realized.

A meeting for Maine bred horses ex clusively is one of the certainties at Rig by. Manager Libby does not forget his State and her horse interests.

about pacers. He says he would just as oon have a saw-horse shown him as a acer, so no pacers need apply to the veteran buyer for a place in his stable.

G. H. Bishop and party took 28 horses out of Maine last week, Jack Lyons, 16 and Reed and Reeves, representing the New York Coaching Club, 24. This means good business and the dropping of thirty to thirty-five thousand dollars into the pockets of the dealers and farmers. There are others left on the farms. Would that there were more.

At an auction sale of horses at Madison Square Garden, the famous sire Sphinx attracted the most attention, and was sold for \$2,500 to George H. Spear of New Haven. Sphinx has a record of 2.20½, and at the close of 1897, was the sire of 54 in the list, number for his age, 14 years, that has been reached by two other horses only. Sphinx is by Electioneer.

S. A. Davis, North Dixmont, has lost his valuable brood mare, Silver Belle, by Gideon; dam, a thoroughbred. Mr. Davis has several very promising colts from her. One by Pickering, six years old, good bay, black points, white hind feet,

standing 15.3, and weighing 1,050 pounds, can show a 2.40 clip without any trainng, and is perfectly kind for a lady to andle. Another by The Seer, five years old, good bay color, stands 16 hands, and weighs 1,050 pounds, which Mr. of to-day. Davis has just commenced to drive, is naking a very fine showing.

The stewards of the Grand Trotting Circuit at their annual meeting, admited Buffalo and Portland, Me., to memership. The dates for races and total purses fixed are as follows: Detroit, July 18, \$50,000; Cleveland, July 25, 40,000; Columbus, Aug. 2, \$30,000; Fort Wayne, Aug. 9, \$25,000; Buffalo, Aug. 16, \$30,000; Glen's Falls, Aug. 23, \$30,000; Readville, Aug. 30, \$40,000; Iartford, Sept. 5, \$40,000; Portland Sept. 12, \$35,000. Total purses, \$320,000. A resolution offered by P. D. Campau of Detroit, was adopted, providing that at least \$1500 except in colt races for 2 and 3-year-olds.

as largely due to the fact so clearly exressed by himself when he said: "I make it a point of never letting a horse very requirement asked by the purchaser and that will be found to be much more in the large cities than down here in the country. Giving a man just what he asks for is the whole secret of my success. If I make an error, to which we are all subject, then my idea is to right it as soon as possible, and such has always been my aim, for I would give more to have the respect of a community than all the money I'm ever likely to acquire." Horne, as a purchaser and fitter of the road horse, was without a peer in

ear and nostril are the speaking features.

through the great business depression and jobbing houses, as well as retail es Credits had been extended rapidly, and the contraction in the money market the contraction in the money market made the payment of outstanding obligations a practical impossibility in many

onths after the business of the great Lehigh Coal Corporation was placed in the hands of the federal court, things went from bad to worse, in a commercial nse, at a rapid rate, and it was not ommenced to show any healthy sign of

ife and vigor. The first of the various interests conected with horse breeding to fall was the importing business. Much of that

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sold. Consequently many of them were SALE OF HOBSES AT ALLEN LOWE'S forced to the wall. forced to the wall.

good bay, black points, white hind feet, and they embarked in the business with the avowed object of increasing their wealth, till the horse breeding craze bemagnitude as did the California gold fever of 1849, or the Klondike gold fever of 1849, or the Klondike gold fever

Just as soon as the prices to be obtained fell below a profitable business, these men (not regular breeders) threw their entire holdings on the market. Many "horse farms" were wiped out of ply because there was no longer any money in the business. This class of Now is the time to secure it. Not Farmers' Institute, we make the followand it is very questionable if they ever wallet. Write the Farmer at once were of any benefit to the horse breeding for particulars. interests as a whole. When, however, they had got rid of their horses and were scarce indeed, not comparatively, wanted now. percenter purses in the circuit must be but actually scarce. Business houses of all classes were going down all around horse breeder weathered the storm.

Of course there were isolated cases where through bad management or mis- old. fortune, bankruptcy ensued, but after taking into consideration all the breedgo out of my hands until he will fill ing farms, we find that the instances of from pure bred fowl, and send to one of failure are few and far between.

years has proved to our own satisfaction doing this. that the breeding of first class horses is as stable as the average business of our country. No more secure investment exigencies of the past four years. In larger business this year. New England where there are many breeding farms not a single one went under, as we can learn; in the West and "A Roman nose in a horse, like a corruptcy, nor the fear of it. It is not to be the utility here, determined to get profit, mothers. The Dark Brahma, though they are more certain than any me says The Breeder and Sportsman, "gen-period could be gone through without a got a black eye at the late meeting of ard weights: Cock, 11 lbs.; hen, 8½ lbs.; advantage of the "Pleasant Pellets" erally indicates strong individuality. A most marked influence being left. This the A. P. A. at Boston. Fancy marking straight facial line is quite often found depressive influence is felt not only by still count for more than eggs or meat." with a high degree of intelligence, but a the horse breeders of our country but by dish-faced horse is rarely anything but breeders of all varieties of fine stock, nonentity in character, or a fool. A and bringing in line with them the giganone muzzle denotes a highly nervous tic railway systems of this country, as letters are received, seeking advice in re-

As we look at the horse breeding busidisposed of their culls, and now the busous commercial panic as that through which we have recently passed, we have inroads made on the demands for horses by the use of electricity as a motive power for traveling, and by the bicycle has come to stay. We also believe that this noble animal, in the future as in the and profitable business. JOHN DIMON.



had been done "on time;" in fact many importers sold stallions without demanding any cash down, taking notes at one, two and three years' time in full settle-

Above list will show how Maine horses sell on the market. Mr. Barrett's horse averaging \$358.75 not bad when you take into consideration that old stallions are cost his first owner \$2800 as a two-year old. B. E. G.

Poultry.

A Standard Incubator and existence, not through any inability of Brooder to the person getting up their owners to carry them on, but sim-a club for the Maine Farmer. delivered by him before the Hampton men was denominated "fad breeders," one cent necessary from your ing extracts. His review of the breeds

Watch out against excessive feeding farms, which many of them did as soon of stimulating food to the breeding birds. as possible, failures of regular breeders Health and vigor are the essentials

Collect the eggs once in two hours, him, but the systematic and determined keep cool and dry, yet protected from chilling, and turn every few days, using none for hatching more than ten days

the reliable breeders who patronize the In fact the crucial test of the past four Maine Farmer. No mistake made in

Order early at least one sitting of eggs

Are you ready for hatching, the pen mated, the male active, the flock busy? ould possibly be asked than one that If so, forward, march. Now is the time could survive the terrible commercial to move on the enemy. Get ready for a

Too True.

A well known breeder, one who is South only a very few, and although making a great record in egg production many great establishments have been with pure bred fowl, in a personal letter

Hens or Kerosene-Which?

Hardly a day passes but one or more well as all ordinary commercial business. gard to incabators. We do not remem ber a year when there was such a lively nostrils and pendulous lower lip, means ness to-day, we find that breeders have interest in hatching or so many were preparing for increased flocks. "Which ininess stands on a firmer foundation than cubator is best for me to buy?" is the gence." The objection to the Roman ever before. It would be considered universal query. To all such we would nose or dished-face lies in the tendency very un-business-wise for a manufacturer say, send a postal card to the manufac to restricted air passages. The seat of to long continue the manufacture of turers of those reliable machines adveratelligence is in the brain, but the eye, goods for which there was no market. tised in the Maine Farmer, asking for So of stock breeding and especially so of latest catalogue. Then read these care-

For the Maine Farmer FOWL.

Rumpless fowl are those which have no tail feathers. The absence of tails pecially is this true of the roosters. make-up, lacking symmetry, and could years ago, while in the mountains of Tennessee, visiting among the brave mountaineers who were so nobly loyal during our Civil War, helping them as far as my means would allow in building their churches and school houses, I fell in with this odd race of fowl. They there went by the name of "Bunties." They were not at all common, but with the assistance of a friend I managed to obtain four hens and a rooster. I learned on inquiry that the special objection to them among the natives was their wild habits which led them to make their nests in out of the way places.

They stood their journey of nearly a thousand miles well, and reached my ome on the seacoast of Massachusetts n a healthy condition. At first they had the freedom of the premises, but I soon had the same trouble as did the mountaineers, a difficulty in finding their stolen nests. I found that their eggs were considerably smaller than the average of our Northern hen, rather average of our Northern hen, rather smaller even than the Leghorn breed. They were fairly good layers, and I put under four good motherly Plymouth Rocks four sittings of their eggs. I attended well both wants of the prospective mothers and, as usual, did some

were hatched, but after the lapse of birds. three weeks, received a fearful lesson in In the Minorcas you get a layer of a from the entire lot of eggs. This was with a white skin. and has continued to be a puzzle to me, tentive to his harem. I have thought it know it. This is not an age when one possible that, being of a wilder nature can afford to stand still. hese common fowl, like some species of wild animals, they will not propagate when confined to coops As time went on and I found them to be

on fowl, two of them dying in their coop, though the apartment was roomy Which arise from impurities in the blood and had an open run attached, and a depleted condition of this vital third succumbing to a snow storm to fluid may be entirely averted by Hood's which she was accidentally exposed that which she was accidentally exposed that which she was accidentally exposed that the other fowl survived. Whether the tenderness is inherent in the breed or resulted from their being raised for genthe other fowl survived. Whether the erations in a warmer climate I am unable to determine. There being no possibility of propagating the breed I brought 25 cents. hanticleer to the block, and then came my surprise, for without exception in proportion of white meat he excelled all of the hundreds of fowl I have ever dressed. He reminded me much of a lot of the famous Dorking fowl I imported many years ago directly from Dorking, England, and the color of the plumage added to the impression that somewhere along the line of descent the two breeds came together, having the same parent stock. As a table fowl, then, the "Bunties" certainly have a future in the hands 40 of those who learn the art of propagating J. J. H. GREGORY.

Marblehead, Mass.

POULTRY RAISING IN NEW BRUNSWICK. Never has there been so lively an inerest in poultry raising in New Brunswick as at the present time. The holding of poultry exhibitions in connection with the fairs, and complete system of judging introduced, has had a wonderful.

"Off my hands—yes! But the worst of it is, I have to keep their husbands on their feet."—Melbourne Weekly Times. effect in stimulating the growing of choice birds of all the leading breeds. Among the breeders is Mr. W. A. Jack, St. John, and from an admirable address is comprehensive and concise:

utility), that I will not attempt to mention any but those whose table or laying qualities are well known. I will begin with the Mediterranean class, which are the greatest layers of white eggs, which includes the following breeds, viz: Leghorns (8 varieties), White and Black Miorcas and Black Spanish. The Hamburgs are also remarkable layers. These are all non-sitters. The breeds producing brown eggs in-

roasters and make good mothers. The White, Silver, Golden and Black Wyandottes are not so well known in the with a weight on his health can't expect Province as the Rocks, but they will be.
They are also all-round fowl, especially good for broilers, which the St. John brain is heavy, and his blood slug market wants, as the young birds, with proper feeding, mature early.

Cochins there are the Buff, Partridge,
Black and White. They are fair layers
of medium-sized eggs. The Black and
White Langshans are very much praised
Dispensary Medical Association, No. 663 as layers of large brown eggs. The Main street, Buffalo, N. Y. Dorkings, though better known in England than here, are especially prized there never could find time to marry." for their table qualities, and are said to be fair layers of an egg of good size.

In turkeys, the Bronze is by far the

most popular bird of this class, and to have you."-New Orleans Times D every farmer in New Brunswick who ocrat. keeps turkeys should either breed this

keeps turkeys should either breed this bird in its purity or cross them on their common stock.

In ducks, the Pekin is by long odds the favorite. They are layers of a large egg, and many of them in a year. The Aylesbury, while weighing a pound more than the Pekin, is not so popular, at least on this side of the water, while the Rouen is a good duck and has many friends.

All through the early months the St. John market was hungry for Spring phickers so to speak, and for the right.

chickens, so to speak, and for the right kind good prices could have been secured. I wonder if our farmers who raise poultry for the market realize that you cannot fatten a chicken that is running its legs off over the fields. All over the Province there must be hundreds of chickens doing this every year. The owners are waiting for cold weather, when everybody is sending, instead of getting the chickens in proper shape and forwarding a few pairs to the market every week, and securing the early dollar.

Leghorns and birds of this class are distinctly egg machines, and you can never make good table birds of them, that will bring the prices the heavier Brahmas, Plymouth Rocks or such like, mouth, my boy."—Judge.

counting of the chickens before they and get good winter layers and table

humility, for not a single chicken came large white egg and a fair table bird,

My advice to those farmers who keep responds readily to proper ferfor the rooster was a young and full- scrub stock, which is neither one thing grown one, and appeared to be very well nor the other, would be to gradually get developed "halling the morning with a clear of it and start fresh. Poultry is cheer" as lustily as did those of any other flock, and appearing equally as at- many of our farmers do not seem to

Mrs. Angell-"How do you like the Mrs. Goodwill—"I don't know yet. As time went on a substitute than the com-ecidedly more delicate than the com-haven't met his wife."—Chicago News.

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Mamma—"Now, what did you learn t

Elsie-"Man. Mamma-"And how do you spell an?"
Elsie (promptly)—"M-a-n, man."
Mamma—"Now, how do you spell

Elsie—(after a moment's reflection) "The same way, only in littler letters."
Town and Country Journal.

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CASTORIA

hat H. Fletchers

Bridegroom—"Where shall we go, dearest—Niagara Falls or Washington?" clude Barred, White and Buff Plymouth
Rocks. They are layers, table birds,
and see which we like best."—Brooklyn The man with a weight on his leg

because of constipation, he will not succeed in doing anything very well. Con-stipation is the cause of nine-tenths of Asiatic class are brown-egg layers and all sickness. Symptoms of it are sallow good table birds—Light Brahmas lay ness, listlessness, poor appetite, bad taste in the mouth, dizziness, biliousness and lassitude. Constipation can be breed. The birds grow to a large size cured easily and certainly by the use of and heavy weight, but it takes time to Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They are dispersed the cause has not been bank- to the editor says: "We who are after do it. They are too heavy for good not at all violent in their action, and yet supposed, however, that so trying a and the biggest possible, from our flocks, not so popular, is a good variety. Stand-the system all out of order. The great

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"No," said the rich old bachelor, "I

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Gray Park, Gray—Aug. 30-Sept. 1.
Hancock County, Bluehill—Sept. 20-22.
Kenn bec County, Readfield—Sept. 13-15.
Maine State, Lewiston—Sept. 5-9.
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Oxford County, Norway—Sept. 20-23.
Ossipee Valley, Cornish—Aug. 30-Sept. 1.
Rigby, Portland—Aug. 22-28.
Waldo and Penobscot, Monroe—Sept. 13-15.

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"Look at those stitches; I can see them

"I thought you told me you could do

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insolvency for said County of Kennebec against the estate of the estate of the solvency for said County of Kennebec against the estate of the solvency which petition was filed on the risk and of the bruary. A. D. 1898, to on the risk may of the bruary. A. D. 1898, to on the risk may of the bruary. A. D. 1898, to on the risk may of the bruary and the solvence of the solvency of the solvency of the solvency of the becomputed; That the payment of any property belonging to said debtor, to him or for his use, and the delivery and transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said debtor, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Insolvency to be held at the Frobate Court Room, in said County, on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1898, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

noon. Given under my hand the date first above written. Joshua F. Bran. Deputy Sheriff, as Messenger of said Court.

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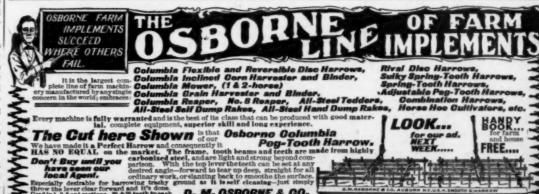
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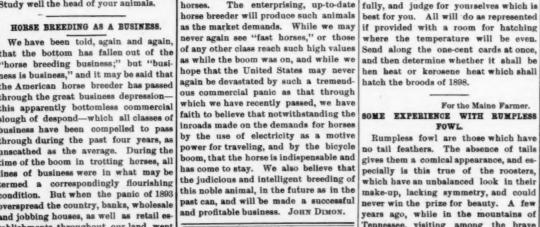
responding aquiline shape in a man," organization, while a coarse and large nuzzle, with small and non-expansive shaped nostril means courage and intelli-

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HORSE BREEDING AS A BUSINESS. We have been told, again and again that the bottom has fallen out of the ess is business," and it may be said that the American horse breeder has passed this apparently bottomless commercial lough of despond—which all classes of usiness have been compelled to pass through during the past four years, as me of the boom in trotting horses, all ines of business were in what may be termed a correspondingly flourishing ondition. But when the panic of 1893 erspread the country, banks, wholesale to the wall with most alarming rapidity.

until late in the Summer of 1895 that the majority of the different lines of trade

ness naturally laid them liable to feel the hardest of the blast, and when their





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Grange News. Maine State Grange

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State Lecturer,
ELIJAH COOK, VASSAlboro. State Secretary, E. H. Libby, Auburn, Dirigo P. O. Executive Committee, OBADIAH GARDNER, Rockland. E. H. Libby. Auburn. Hon. B. F. Briggs, Auburn. Grange Gatherings. At Winthrop March 10-Kennebec Pom At Gray, Feb. 26-Cumberland Pomona State Lecturer Cook's Appointments Gorham, Feb. 26.

ENDORSEMENT BY THE STATE GRANGE

"Resolved, That this State Grange recognizes the increased rendered the order by the MAINE FARMER, the setting apart of a page for Grange news, and we urge upon Subordinate Granges the importance of supporting a home paper and of contributing towards making this page of the greatest possible benefit to the order."

The editor of the Farmer will attend Cumberland Pomona, at Gray, Saturday, the 26th.

Hon. N. J. Bachelder, Master of the New Hampshire State Grange, will lecture before Turner Grange, March 19.

Paris Grange initiated two members their regular meeting last Saturday. good literary entertainment is carried out at each meeting.

North Anson Grange was obliged t postpone its anniversary exercises because of the severe storm. They will be held in the near future.

Subscribe for the Maine Farmer and for your Grange hall. Every part is complete to 1898.

Capital Grange had a larger attendance at its last meeting than for several years, and there are evidences of a decided awakening in the Capital city.

Oxford Pomona Grange holds its next session with Franklin Grange, Bryant's Pond, on Tuesday, March 1st, with programme as prepared for Feb. meeting Reduced rates have been received on G

Independent Grange at Bradford Centre is in a very flourishing condition. The third and fourth degrees were conferred on eight new members, Saturday, Jan. 15. The first and second degrees were conferred on 17 candidates, Saturday, Land 1990, with the conferred on 18 candidates, Saturday, Land 1990, with the conferred on 1990, with the c day, Jan. 22, with more to follow at the

We dropped down on Pittsfield Grange last Saturday and enjoyed the opening session of the literary contest to last through four meetings. It was a fruitful afternoon and good work was done by the members. Such Grange sessions will deepen interest and stimulate activity. Pittsfield Grange will grow before the snow is gone.

The next session of Androscoggin Pomona Grange will be held with Lewiston Grange, No. 2, at South Lewiston, the first Wednesday in March. In the forenoon the fifth degree will be conferred, followed by a paper by Sister A. A. Osgood and a declamation by Bro. C. C. Washburn. Pine Tree Grange, No. 3, of Lisbon, will furnish the programme for the afternoon.

D. W. RICKER, Sec.

Dromore Grange, Phippsburg, ob-served Washington's birthday, Tuesday evening by carrying out the following evening by carrying out the following rich programme: Song, Chorus of Liberty; recitation, George Washington's Birthday, Mamie Spinney; essay, Washington's Early Days, Sadie Percy; Washington's Army Life, Herbert Cutting; song, True Worth Is in Being; essay, Washington as President, Abbie Minott; The Character of Washington, Emma Nichols; song, Where There's a Will There's a Way; essay, Washington as a Farmer, Worthy Master J. F. Upton; Tribute to Washington, Scott Campbell; song, Land of our Fathers; quotations by the officers of the Grange; song, tions by the officers of the Grange; song, O Columbia, We Love Thee. Such a programme will inspire patriotism in old and young. The postponed mock trial will be the Tuesday evening follow-

North Jay Grange is one of the live organizations of the kind in the State. It being apparent that distinguished members of the Order would be in town the evening before the opening of the Fruit Growers' Convention at their hall, a special meeting of the Grange was called in the evening at which visiting a special meeting of the Grange was called in the evening, at which visiting meeting. State Lecturer Cook addressed the meeting in his usual happy manner, on the "Good of the Order." He also rocks at some length on the importance spoke at some length on the importance of farmers investigating methods and means of producing products at low cost, and named sheep, fruit, poultry and the dairy as promising fields of work well

Between one and two hundred Patrons met with East Madison Grange to hold a Pomona meeting for February. Although the roads were very poor, one would never have known it by the smiling faces of the members as they met at the ap-pointed hour. The master being absent the meeting was called to order by the and Past Master Savage was the chair. After the opening called to the chair. After the opening exercises we listened to an able address of welcome by Bro. M. O. Dean, music by the choir, response to the address by Sister Jones, which was very impressive, after which we listened to a duet by Sister Holmes and Mr. Hatt, which was encored also to a song by Sister Dunton, a cored, also to a song by Sister Dunton, a paper by Mr. Jewett entitled "Why I am a Patron" followed and then the Sisters announced that dinner was ready. The afternoon was taken up with music by the choir, a paper by Sister Marcia, recitation by Sister Crowell, a song by Sister Holmes, after which remarks on the papers read, several of which were

The all-day monthly meetings of Win-throp Grange, inaugurated at the begin-ning of this year, are so far proving to be very popular, as well as very interest-ing. The second of these was held on ing. The second of these was held on Tuesday, the 15th, on which occasion a much larger number of Patrons gathered than is usual at evening meetings, some of whom were visitors from the neighboring Granges of Readfield and Monmouth.
This feature of visiting back and forth is
of mutual interest and advantage to all concerned, and can only be realized through the medium of day meetings. It is earnestly hoped that this arrangement may become permanent for all future time. A class of six candidates was instructed in the fourth degree at the morning session, and the sumptuous dinner put up by the ladies served admirably as the harvest feast. The afterdisposing of several applications for disposing of several applications for membership, a fine Lecturer's programme, and a full and final arrangement for the coming fair, which has heretofore been well talked up. This fair will be held for the purpose of raising funds to reduce the indebtedness of the Grange incurred by building the fine hall now used by this energetic, wide awake organization. The planting wide awake organization. The planting wide wayee organization. The planting wide wayee organization. The planting wide wayee organization. wide-awake organization. The planting We learn that cheerful smiles and generous of a good, live Grange in any locality is of itself a great public benefit outside of its membership. The principles and precepts of the Grange inspire a community—silently though it may be—with higher ideas of what constitutes good and there are evidences of a decided awakening in the Capital city.

The strength of a Grange rests not so much in numbers as in harmony and a willingness to work for the Order. Capability of enjoying life depends on capacity and aims to elevate the moral tendency and welfare of any community and the results of a grange rests not so much in numbers as in harmony and a willingness to work for the Order. Capability of enjoying life depends on capacity and welfare of any community and the results are the more days of sunshine, and of cheer,

Than those by clouds o'ershadowed, dark, and drear.

But, if some days, in all the year, bring rain, 'Tis tears of sorrow, for the parched earth's pain.

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But, if some days, in all the year, bring rain, 'Tis tears of sorrow, for the parched earth's pain. pleasure and imparting it and welfare of any community and of all As pity's tears the wounded spirit heals. tained by public sentiment, and so far as possible, by public patronage of its public entertainments. Indeed it should be 'Neath Summer suns, with all their scorching regarded as having good claims for a measure of public support, and indirectly through the coming fair it appeals for

MAINE STATE GRANGE.

The following letter from State Master Gardner to the subordinate Granges of Maine shows that the Order is expected

ROCKLAND, ME., Feb. 17, 1898. To Masters of Subordinate Granges: The last session of the National Grange, held in Harrisburg, Penn., endorsed legislative action upon the subjects of Pure Food, Postal Savings Banks and Rural Mail Delivery, and directed the Legis-lative Committee to take the necessary steps to bring these matters before Congress and to secure favorable action thereon. For the furtherance of this ob-ject we mail you blank petitions upo-each of the above named subjects, with the request that they be signed and forwarded to the Legislative Committee National Grange, 514 F. St., Washington, D. C., to arrive there by March \mathcal{S} , and they will place the petitions before the proper committee of Congress. If these petitions are generally signed and re-turned, they will afford very strong support to your Legislative Committee in the work entrusted to it. I urge you to

OBADIAH GARDNER,

MEETING OF WALDO COUNTY GRANGE.

Waldo County Pomona Grange met waldo County Formona Grange met Feb. 15th, with Morning Light Grange, Monroe. The attendance was very large and an interesting meeting was held. The officers were nearly all present. A class of 27 was instructed in the fifth class of 27 was instructed in the fifth degree. The following Granges were represented: Northern Light and Sunrise, Winterport; Morning Light, Monroe; Star of Progress, Jackson; Rising Sun and Sunlight, Knox; Harvest Moon and Hillside, Thorndike; Dirigo, Freedom; Frederick Ritchie, Waldo; Comet, Swanville: Granite. Searaport: South Swanville; Granite, Searsport; South Branch, Prospect; Seaside, Belfast; and North Star of Penobscot county. After finishing the business, noon recess was

After calling to order again the address of welcome was given by Fred Putnam and the response by S. C. Thompson. The question "Resolved, That Associated Dairying is More Profitable than Pri-vate," was discussed by a large number.

butter and selling it themselves while others prefeired selling their cream to creameries, if they could be used fairly, as it was so much less work.

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The following literary programme was furnished by Morning Light Grange: Music by a large and excellent choir; song by Nellie Webber; music by Nora Lufkin; essay by Mamie Webber; song by Sister Ryder; she was encored and responded with another song; recitation by Lillian Clements; song by Louise Mayo; declamation by Walter Mason; song by the choir.

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The next meeting will be with Seaside Grange, Belfast, March 1st. The address of welcome will be given by Jennie Leavitt and the response by Louise Cun-ningham. The question for discussion is "Resolved, That the Law Passed by the last Legislature in Regard to Road the last Legislature in Regard to Road Commissioners is Detrimental to Rural Towns." Affirmative, Joseph Ellis; Negative, W. P. Thompson. The State Master and Lecturer are expected to be present. The remainder of the programme will be furnished by Seaside Grange. There will be half fare on the Belfast branch of railroad.

THE LESSONS OF THE YEAR.

[Read at the installation of officers at Cush noc Grange, Jan. 19, by Mrs. O. H. Brown Valley Farm, Riverside.] We hear the solemn tolling of a bell Tis the sad echo of a funeral knell.

ter Grange, D. H. Knowlton, Farmington, and C. H. George, Hebron Grange, also addressed the meeting. The time The year his kingly sceptre yields, at last. His hands are folded, and his glory past. Within the silent grave the old year lies.

> When, o'er our forms, a few kind words ar A weeping willow droops above our bed.
> A few short, wintry blasts will o'er us swee
> All, save the willow, then, have ceased

But, 'tis not on life's end, our thoughts would 21/2 @4 1/4 c.

dwell.

The year has filled his destined mission well.

And, twixt his birth and death, though short the space, How much has been accomplished in his race

The lessons of the year 'twere well to heed We learn dependence on a higher power. For guidance, and direction, every hour. Who turns, with his all powerful hand

Time's wheel, Doth, through the circling year, his strengt bright, He filled his youth with beauty and delight.

The year's bright youth was spent 'mid springing green; And, scattered in his track, fair flowers are seen.
This is the time, when, free from every care.
The young find joy, and beauty, everywhere.

The smooth and flowery vales are Eden lands Their light and springing footsteps take n Where'er the flowery, winding paths may

Whether beside the clear and purling Or near the edge of yawning chasm deep

Where one false step would end in utter woo But with their hands in His. who cares for all

that support. Almost universal approval is gathered treasures scattering all the way, is met with on every hand, and the prospect is good for an excellent fair and first-class entertainment. Several dramas are well along in reconstitution best to be start of the control of th

are well along in preparation, besides other interesting entertainment to fully occupy two evenings. Useful and fancy articles will be on sale. Also refresh-When all the earthly dross is burned away, The gold will then reflect the sun's bright And, when the soul shall reach the Heavenly

The why, of all this pain, 'twill understand.
The year is gone. It left us what it brought
For future guidance. All the lessons taught By 1897, came not too late,

Programme March Meeting Kennebec P mona Grange at Winthrop, Thursday, Mar. 10. pening 5th degree, 10 A. M.

re. "The Greenhouse as an Aid to Agr Mrs. S. T. Goodspeed, Turner Cents

Music.
Topic, "Our Flower Gardens—What Varieties
to Plant and Their Cultivation,"
to Plant and Their Cultivation,"
Mrs. W. H. Davis, West Gardiner,
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Mrs. M. D. Mayo, Manchester,
Mrs. M. D. Mayo, Manchester,
W. L. Mace, East Winthrop,
W. L. Mace, East Winthrop,
Topic, "Marketing Fruits,"
W. H. Wing, Manchester,
W. P. Atherton, Hallowell.
Discussion to follow each topic.
E. R. Mayo, Lecturer.

Cobbossee-Contee Grange, West Gardi er, will hold an all-day meeting, March t, to be Ladies' Day. A full programme

Lecturer's Corner.

Topics for discussion: Feed and Care of Farm Horses whe What Constitues a True Patron Pleasant and Unpleasant Phases of rm Life

Profitable and Unprofitable Phases o What are the Remedies possible for our town in Valuing property, Assessing and Collecting Taxes. Are Free Libraries Desirable?

Is there a chance in Maine for Beef Sheep Husbandry for Maine and how to be increased.

The Coming Flower Garden—What Shall it Contain?

Dangers and Blessings of Modern Trade learning-Is it a lost Art?

LARD—Per tierce, v. pail, 63/2671/c.

POTATOES—Potatoes, 85/2690c per bu.; sweet, \$3 75@4 per bbl.
PROVISIONS—Fowl, 9@11c; chickens, 11@13c; turkeys, 13@14c; eggs, nearby, 18@19c; extra beef, \$11 50; pork backs, HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Billiousness, Indigestion, Headachs. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

Market Reports.

REPORT OF WATERTOWN AND BRIGHTON LIVE STOCK MARKET.

ecially Reported for the Maine Farmer. LIVE STOCK YARDS, Feb. 22, 1898.

THE AGGREGATE OF LIVE STOCK AT WATERTOWN AND BRIGHTON YARDS.

Cattle, 3,510; sheep, 8,447; hogs, 36,-15; veals, 784; horses, 347. MAINE STOCK AT MARKET. Cattle, 146; veals, 205; horses, 47. IVE STOCK EXPORTS TO OLD ENGLAND

The Boston shipments amount to 2591 eattle, 854 sheep, 224 horses. English market on cattle about steady with light

O. W. Rolfe and F. W. Wormwell loaded their stock this week this side of Portland, and arrived early at market, but it was a different story of those who loaded further in the State, being held back by snow storm. We learned by the above drovers that the balance of train did not leave Portland until 6.30 this A. M., and will not arrive until into the with such as did arrive, making a total of 146 cattle, 205 calves. The demand for 146 cattle, 205 calves. The demand for beef cattle was nothing extra, rather a slim movement, and being a holiday made it more so. Eastern cattle at 2½@ c, and the 5c cattle had to be somethi

Values on sheep and lambs have not changed, and Western lambs are in favor at prices quoted. A good lot of Western lambs cost, at Buffalo, \$5.80 per cwt., market well supplied. The sheep at

the better grades, with heavy run of Western at a range of 33/464/4c, being 3/8 easier on tops. Country hogs at 50, dressed weight.

Calf butchers are modest about bid ding high prices this week not bein particularly in want of any amount but what they can buy easy. We heard of nothing selling at over 6c lb.; sales, 5½

The market for milch cows weakened last Wednesday and the requirements and supply this week are light. The trade would not suffer even if there were not a fresh arrival this week. We quote common cows at \$20@38; extra cows, \$40@48; fancy cows, \$50@60.

#40@48; fancy cows, #50@60.

Horses are not in large supply and heavy horses are scarce with inquiry for that sort. The trade large for heavy truck horses, at \$125@175 a head; common horses, \$50@90; chunks, \$95@125.

SALES OF MAINE STOCK. O. W. Rolfe had at market six likely oxen the average weight, 1700 lb. They were intended for the export trade. Price put upon them, 4%c, live weight. Veal calves at 6c lb. F. W. Wormwell sold 8 veals, averaging 118 lb., at steady price.

It is wonderful how we can have from week to week at market from 3500 to 4500 head of cattle; 8,000 to 11,000 sheep; 25,000 to 35,000 hogs, and from 900 to 1200 calves. It is true that the West furnished the larger part, all but the calves, but we think that New England ould raise more live stock than she does ers can depend upon it, they will order light from the West in order to take what arrives from this part of the country, and it would seem reasonable that New England could raise live stock to a greater extent and make it profitable. LATE SALES AT BRIGHTON LAST WEDNES

The cow supply was extra heavy and although there were a good many buy-ers, yet dealers saw the necessity of easing up in prices in order to effect sales. As it was, some were left over, but not many. Libby Bros. sold 4 milch sales. As it was, some were left over, but not many. Libby Bros. sold 4 milch cows at \$46 each; 2 cheice cows, \$50 each; 2 springers, \$45 each, and cows from \$30@\$40. H. M. Lowe sold 8 cows dium Ben Davis bring \$3@3 25. Seconds from \$30@\$40. We death \$4.50 for No. 1 lots. Medium Ben Davis bring \$3@3 25. Seconds come and \$3.50 for No. 2 cheice and second sec sold 2 Ayrshire cows, \$45 each; 2 choice Holstein cows, \$50 each; 5 cows, \$25@ \$40. W. Mills, 2 cows at \$37.50 each. M. D. Holt sold cows from \$35@\$55. W. Cheney, 10 cows, \$40@\$50. J. S. Henry sold 6 choice cows at \$50@\$55. 10 extra cows, \$40@\$48. Common cows.

\$28 up to \$38. Harris & Fellows sold 1 extra springer, \$40. W. F. Wallace sold 26 cows from \$35@\$50. Store pigs. The offerings were light and prices a little better at \$2.00@\$2.75

head. Shoats, \$3.00@\$5.00 per head.

PORTLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

wheat, with trade quiet at the advance, buyers holding off and purchasing only for immediate wants. Corn and oats are firmly held. Millfeed is quoted higher.

orted; the shipments of pork from Ne

York last week amounted to over 19,000,

abroad from New York last week. Apples are still firm on good lots, with considerable poor fruit coming forward. Poultry dull and easy. Hay is quoted steady. Country produce is but little changed from last week; eggs steady at 18@19c; beans firmer. Mutton and lambs easy. Beef in better demand and firm.

Apples—Esting apples. 28, 00@24, 50

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 23. WEDNESDAY, Feb. 20.

In spite of many unfavorable conditions, a fair amount of business is being done in the wholesale markets, with higher prices quoted on many articles of staple consumption, and the general tendency of the market is firmer. The wheat

top prices. Butter plenty and rather drug. A few good Spies offered, selling rapidly at good figures. BEANS—Pea beans \$125@130; Yellow

ery, 20c. CHEESE—Factory,11½@12c; domestic

Sugar firmer. Pork, provisions and lard strong at the advance, and immense quantities of both articles are being expork, 6c.; beef per side, 5@7½c; ham, fresh, 7c; smoked, 8½c; fowl, 10@12c. veal, 8c; round hog, 4½@5c; mutto. 6@7c; lamb, 8@10c; ohickens, 12@15c. 000 pounds, or about double the figures of the same week a year ago; over 10,-000,000 pounds of lard were also sent abroad from New York last week. Ap-

TURNIPS-40c per bush APPLES-Native, \$3 00@3 50 per bbl.

[Corrected Feb. 23, for the Maine Farmer, by Flour a little easier. St. Louis Pa-

APPLES—Eating apples, \$3 00@\$4 50 per bbl. Common, \$2@\$3 00. Baldwins, \$3 50@4 50. Evaporated, 9@10\(\frac{1}{2}\)c per BUTTER-15@18c for choice family; reamery, 21@22c.
BEANS—New York pea, \$1.20@\$1.25;
Cellow Eyes, \$1.45@\$1.50.
CHEESE—Maine and Vermont Factory, 113/@12c; N. Y. Factory, 101/2@11c;

Sage, 12@12½c. FLOUR—Low grades, \$370 @ \$425; Spring, \$58@610; Roller Michigan, \$530@\$540; St. Louis Winter Patents,

\$5 60@\$5 75.
FISH—Cod, Shore, \$4 75@5 00; Scaled herring per box, 9@14c; Mackerel, shore, \$22 00@26 00.
GRAIN—Corn, bag lots, 41@42c; oats, 37@38c; cotton-seed, car lots, \$21 50@22; cotton-seed, bag lots, \$22 50@23; sacked bran, car lots, \$16 00@17 00; sacked bran, bag lots, \$17@18; middlings, car lots, \$16 @\$17; middlings, bag lots, \$17@\$18.

LABD—Per tierce, 6½@6½0 per lb.; pall, 6½@7½c.

proaching the end, and his late home hotel; but Mr. Gladstone was determined enveloped in coats and rugs. Heavily leaning on the arms of two gentlemen, he slowly tottered to the hotel.

The following will serve as a hint to what is coming in industrial lines: A large order from Cuba for flour has just been received in the New York market; English contracts for rails, at Liverpool and Plymouth, have been given to American manufacturers; a \$10,000,000 contract for pipe, to be delivered in Australia, is now negotiating; from the United Kingdom offers are made for American forge and foundry iron, but owing to the recent advance in prices, the trade is falling off.

Another severe storm has entirely de moralized business, and prices have ruled low with sales only sufficient to meet immediate demands. The storm covering so large a section of territory has been wide spread in its effects upon business. The flour market is still excited under the position of wheat, which was generally firmer at midday, though scarcely sustained at the closing: Spring wheat, they having been blown out. Another wanted to be raised up in bed not knowing that both legs had been blown off close to his body. The full details are heartrending in the extreme. clear, \$4 40@4 90; straight, \$5@5 40; Spring patent, \$550@6 10; Winter wheat, clears, \$4 70@5 10; straights, \$5@5 30; patents, \$5 35@6.

Corn is not much changed: No. 2 yellow, to arrive, 39@39½6; No. 3 and country yellow, 38¾@39c; track steamer yellow, 39c; No. 2 yellow, 39½. Oats are not much changed: To ar of hay, with straw quiet and millfeed very steady: Hay, \$7.50@\$15.50; rye straw, \$9.50@\$10; sack Spring bran, \$15.75@\$16; sack Winter, \$17.25. Beef sold better yesterday than might have been expected, considering the storm: Steers 6½@8c; hindquarters, 8½ (@10c; forequarters, 5½ (@6c; rumps and

quest: Best creamery, small lots and pkgs, 22@22½c; Northern creamery, round lots, 21@22c; Western, 21@22c; Eastern, 21c; firsts, 18@19c; imitations, 15@16c Northern dairy, 17@18c.

Cheese is in quiet request, at unchanged prices: Round lots, 9\\(\frac{1}{2}\)@10\\(\frac{1}{2}\)c; sage, 10\(\pi\)11: jobbing, 10\(\frac{1}{2}\)@11\(\frac{1}{2}\)c; Liverpool cable, 40s. Eggs are firmer, by reason of a slight

shortage: Western fresh, 16@16%c Michigan and Indiana, 17@18c; Eastern 17%@18c; nearby and fancy, 20@25c jobbing prices, $1@1\frac{1}{2}c$ more. Western fresh, 16@161/c; Apples,

are quoted at \$2 50@2 75 jobbing lots bring more.

Potatoes were very quiet, by reason the storm. Prices are little changed: Green Mountains, extra, 85@90c; fair, 80@85c; White Stars, 80@85c; Burbanks and Peerless, 78@82c; Dakota Reds, 75c; Chenangoes, 75@80c; Jersey Double

AUGUSTA CITY PRODUCE MARKET.

active, though no increase in price is noticed. Eggs not plenty, on account of storm. Prices will hardly hold if weather is warmer. Fowl and chicks plenty, quality good. Only supply of potatoes is from Aroostook. Veals sell quickly. Mutton plenty and not active. If there are good apples they will sell readily at the vices Butter plents and rather and ency of the market is firmer. The wheat market at Chicago has taken a sharp up-ward turn the past week, closing Mon-day at \$1.08 for cash wheat, as compared with 99%c a week ago. Flour has ruled stronger in sympathy with the advance in wheat, and prices have been marked up 10@15c on most brands of spring

Eyes, \$1 50@\$1 55.

BUTTER—Ball butter 15@20c. Cream

11@121/cc. Eggs—Fresh, 16@18c per dozen. Provisions — Wholesale — Clear sal

POTATOES-80c per bush, pative, CABBAGES—1c per lb. BEETS—50c per bush.

ents slightly lower. Shorts about the same. Gluten steady. Hay varies much in quality. The great bulk offered is inferior and sells at \$7@8. Good hay is wanted. Straw in good demand. Wood

General News.

England's grand old man is fast apcoming is thought to be the last. Arrangements had been made at Calais to carry his chair from the train to the to walk the distance, thirty yards, and was carefully assisted down the steps,

The interment of the martyrs of the Maine took place Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Shortly before the hour, all Havana was in mourning, flags on public buildings were at half mast and many houses were draped in mourning. All classes were represented in the throngs that filled the streets along which the funeral procession passed to the cemetery. The wounded who could be, have been removed to Key West, but some been removed to Key West, but some have died, while of those now living a number are terribly maimed. One poor fellow begged to have his eyes wiped as they smarted but no eyes were there.

Orders have been issued from Washington by Secretary Long and Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn which will result s in condition to meet any emergency. In the navy department every precaution is being taken at shore stations and on board ships of war to have the service equipped to its maximum efficient de-Orders have been sent to have the ships now in ordinary, or on the reserve list in seagoing state. The Columbia and the Minneapolis, now in reserve, will be manned at once. Those vessels are in fine order, and lack only a complement of officers and men. The coast defense ship Miantonomoh will also be similarly equipped at League Island. This does not mean trouble but

A bill appropriating \$4,000,000 to provide a battleship to replace the Maine, was introduced in the House, Saturday, dull, by reason of the storm. Prices and present outlook indicates the complete reorganization of our navy. A feeling has been aroused among members of the House by the disaster to the feelings, 4½@7c; Brighton and Maine, in favor of extreme liberality in appropriations for the naval and milifancy muttons and yearlings 7@8c; veals, 7@9½c; fancy and Brighton, 9½ appropriations for the naval and mili-tary establishments, the practical result of which is likely to be the acceptance by the House with little contest of the The poultry market felt the storm, and trade was dull, but with values little changed: Turkeys, box lots, 13@14c; No. 2, 10@12c; Northern, 14@16c; Northern changed: Turkeys, box lots, 13@14c; No.

2, 10@12c; Northern, 14@16c; Northern
chickens, 10@15c; Philadelphia, 13@16c;
Western, 9@11½c; Northern fowl, 9@
13c; Western fowl, 8@10c; capons, 12@
12½c; live fowl, 8@9c; live chickens, 8
@10c; ducks, 10@13c; geese, 9@12c.

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Butter was steady with a quiet request: Best creamers small lots and plays. that appropriations for two ships will be reported. Most of the members of the naval committee have expressed themelves in favor of building a ship to replace the Maine, as well as authorizing of the navy.

The most revolting crime ever perpetrated by white men in South Carolina was committed at Lake City, Williamsburg county, Tuesday morning when Postmaster Baker, a negro and his family were burned out of their home. Postmaster and a babe in arms were killed. His wife and three daughters were shot and maimed for life. Baker was appointed three months ago. There vas a protest at Baker's appointment. Three months ago the postmaster was fired upon from ambush at night. Last Tuesday night a body of men riddled the building with shot and bullets, but no one was hurt. A short time before that Senators Tillman and McLauren and Congressman Horton had asked the postmaster general to remove Baker be-cause of his color and the request had cause of his color and the request had been refused. Tuesday morning a torch was applied to Baker's house, in which the postoffice was kept. Back, just within the light were over a hundred white men armed with pistols and shot guns. By the time the fire aroused the sleeping family, consisting of the postmaster, his wife, four daughters, a son, and a bay, the crowd been fixing into [Corrected Feb. 23, for the Maine Farmer by G. W. Wadleigh, grocer.]

Pork supply light and demand more active, though no increase in price is noticed. Eggs not plenty, on account of noticed. Eggs not plenty, on account of the building. Baker was the first to reach the door and fell dead just within the threshhold, being shot in several liberty of Augusta.

FIFTH ANNUAL POULTRY EXHIBITION
OF THE ST. CROIX POULTRY AND PET
TOCK ASSOCIATION.

Calais, Feb. 10, 11 and 12th, 1898.
Although confined to limited territory and isolated from other sections of Maine and the Provinces, an exhibit of over three hundred and fifty birds was secured and this provoked a good attendance. Such enthusiasm on the part of a few wide awake breeders will do much to infuse life and interest into the poultry business in all that section. In fact a great improvement was noticed by the writer, in the poultry shown at Pembroke Fair last Sept., over former years, the outcome of the influence this society is exerting.

Would-be-purchasers of eggs for hatching may well bear in mind the quality of the birds kept and bred in Eastern Maine. We had the pleasure of examining them in the great exhibition at St. John last Fall, and they will win in hot competition anywhere. Below

AUGUSTA HAY, GRAIN AND WOOL at St. John last Fall, and they will aged 79 years. In Northport, Feb. 12, Daniel W. Hodgdo win in hot competition anywhere. Below
we present the awards placed by the
well-known expert, H. S. Ball, Shrewsbury, Mass.
Light Brahmas—Cock, J. F. McVay, Calais,
1st. Dr. Whitney, St. Stephen, N. B., 2d; R.
Todd, St. Stephen, 3d; Hen. J. F. McVay, 1st
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2d; Pullet, J. F. McVay, 1st, 2d and 3d; Pen,
ditto 1st.

ferior and sells at \$7(28). Good hay is wanted. Straw in good demand. Wood not plenty, finding a ready sale. Wood slack.

STRAW—Pressed, \$12.00; loose, \$8.

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SHORTS—35(26)00 per hundred. \$17(26)15 ton lots.

WOOL—200 per lb.

COTTON SEED MEAL—Bag lots, \$1 10 \$20(20)2 ton lots.

CHICAGO GLUTEN MEAL—Bag lots, \$1.10 \$20(20)2 ton lots.

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FLOUR—Fancy Michigan, full patents, \$5.50(26)5 So; St. Louis Pate

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alais 1st; Hen, same 1st, 2d a B. B. R. Games—Fred Pickard Blue Andalusians—Hen, E.

st.

Buff Bantams—Cock, J. Ryan, Calais, 1
ockerel, same, 1st, 2d and 3d; Puliet, sar Ducks

Muscovy-E. C. Campbell, 1st and 2d drake, old; 1st and 2d, fluck, old; 1st, drak young; 1st, duck young; R. Hortou, 2d duck, young; 2d, drake, young. Pekin-S. W. Cosseboom, 1st on pair, old, Indian Runner-C. Ayles, 1st on pair, young Rouen-C. H. Babb, 1st on pair, Young

Embden-S. W. Cosseboom, 1st on pair. Pigeons.

White Fans—Joseph Ryan, 1st and special;
J. F. McVay, 2d and 3d.
Blue Fans—R. Todd, 1st; J. F. McVay, 2d.
Black Fans—R. Todd, 1st.
Black Saddles—R. Todd, 1st.
Red Saddles—J. F. McVay, 1st and 2d.
Pied Pouters—J. F. McVay, 1st.
White and Red Jacobins, J. F. McVay, 1st.
and 2d. ad 2d.
Dun. Tumblers—R. Todd, 1st.
Parlor Tumblers—R. Todd, 1st.
Homers—E. Townsend, 1st.
Tumblers—E. Townsend, 1st.
Yellow Fans—R. Todd, 1st; J. F. McVay,

Gray squirrel—Donald Fowler, 1st. Red squirrel—W. Bowden, 1st. White rats—W. Day, 1st; D. Hill, 2d. Belgian Hares—F. J. Sprague, Charlott Me, best display.

Married.

In this city, Feb. 10, Charles Allard to Miss Nellie F. Allen.
In this city, Feb. 15, Dana B. Lovejoy of Augusta, to Mrs. Ann L. Ward of Fairfield.
In this city, Feb. 15, Charles P. Austin to Miss Flossie Holmes.
In Bangor, Feb. 2, C. A. Martins to Miss Christine M. Peterson.
In Bath, Feb. 16, Charles M. Boyd to Miss Jennie M. Barnes.
In Biddeford, Feb. 3, Michael J. Mooney to Miss Allone Maguire. PATRONIZE Maine Farmer Advertisers Maine Farmer. Z. A. GILBERT, Agricultural Editor. to Miss Harris ...

Boothbay, Feb. 6, Edward J. Dunning ...

fiss Mertie E. Reed.

Calais, Feb. 10, Robert E. Chrisholm to ...

Riss Carrie W. Tooker.

Camden, Feb. 12, Frederick F. Thomas ...

Miss Annie C. Richards.

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G. Swett F. G. Swett F. Swetter ... SOMETHING FOR YOU. to Miss Annie C. Kichards.
In Chebeague, Feb. 16, John W. Seabury to Miss Bertha M. Hamilton, both of Chebeague, In Eastport, Feb. 9, Millidge G. Swett ts Miss Virginia C. Kemp; Feb. 12, Horace S. Carlisle to Miss Jessie A. Bell.
In Farmington, Feb. 10, Ned J. Kathey to Miss Angie B. Furbush.
In Fort Fairfield, Feb. 6, Herbert B. Peaver to Miss Bessie Witherly. Do you want a Plow, Harrow Cultivator, Mowing Machine Corn Harvester, Shredder, or any other farm implement: Write the office at once for our proposition. There are dollars in this for you!

t. Gardiner, Feb. 7, Charles F. Marston to L. Kilgore, both of Farmingdale. Gray, Feb. 5, Wilbur H. Frank to Mrs. Skillings, both of Gray. Greenville, Feb. 5, Fred Sawyer of Oldm. to Miss Sarah A. Woodman of Lant to Miss Sarah A. Woodman of Lant of Miss Sarah A. Woodman of Miss Sar ADVERTISE IN A LIVE PAPER. The circulation of the MAINI In Hallowell, Feb. 22. Benedict F. Maher of Augusta, to Miss M. Christine Quinn of FARMER has steadily increased since August 1st, and has now reached TE THOUSAND copies weekty. The pub He appreciate a live, up-to-date news Breed good animals to good animals if you wish for good animals as a result

Stephen, Feb. 9, Ralph T. Horton of Miss Nellie Murchie. Sham, Feb. 3, Cyrus H. Trufant t

brook.

In West Houlton, Feb. 9, Fred Porter of Littleton, to Miss May Beardsley of Houlton.

In Windham Hill, Feb. 17, Chas. M. Young to Miss Emma Lottle Gloutz.

Died.

In this city, Feb. 15, Miss Ethel M. Blish, aged 14 years.
In this city, Feb. 16, Mrs. Margaret J. Wasgatt, aged 75 years.
In Auburn, Feb. 15, Charles M. Goss, aged

In Bar Harbor, Feb. 17, Thos. C. Caligan

aged 39 years.

In Bath. Feb. 12, Isaac Crooker, aged years; Feb. 14, Mrs. Annie F. King, aged years; Feb. 16, Mary F. Morse, aged 80 years; Feb. 10, Mrs. Salome W. Hunt, aged 76 years, S. Morse, aged 80 years, 3 months Feb. 18, Maggie, daught years, 3 months Years, 4 m

aged 78 years, 9 months. In Sidney, Feb, 17, Joseph S. Howard, aged

brway, Feb. 5, Elden Morey to Mi This is the law of breeding. The longer the descent of these model animals or both sides the more certain the results. Pigs must be grown on cheap cost food n order to make any money on them. Feeding hogs on purchased grain food Perry, Feb. 9, Herbert A. Johnso Vena M. Hubbard. leaves a mighty small margin to the s Vena M. Hubbard.
Robbinston, Feb. 6, William Hayward t
s Martha Johnson.
Rockland, Feb. 6, William B. Ramsde
liss Carrie L. Cummings; Feb. 15, Danis
is to Miss Margaret McDonald, both 6
kland

Sheep feeding (fattening) has been very successful the past winter. The price of both mutton and wool has held m and market quick. Large numbers of Maine sheep have been fed.

Don't omit to throw to the growing pigs an occasional handful of charcoal or wood ashes. So, too, the ashes are a good thing for the growing steers. These are little things, but sometimes the absence of even little things detracts

from the best results. Dr. Manley Miles, agricultural scienrecently, at the age of 72 years. Dr. Miles will be remembered by the older habitués of our agricultural meetings as lecturer before some of the earlier

etings of our Board of Agriculture. There is every indication that it is only question of time when horned cattle will disappear. The latest promoter of polled heads is that dehorned cattle are elling in the great Western cattle markets at ten to fifteen cents a hundred more than cattle with their weapons of defense entire. So the old polled breeds and the new tribes of Hornless Shorthorns and Polled Jerseys are right in the swim. Well, 'tis better to breed cattle without horns so long as people must have them so, than to grow them only to be taken off. It is illegal cruelty to dock a horse. So if horns are not

wanted, better not grow them. The Shorthorn is the favorite dairy

For many years the dairy Shorthorn has taken first bonors at the London Dairy Show as the "best dairy cow." But they are not the Shorthorns, whose representatives have been imported into this country. In fact, none of the "dairy that have so long done honor to the Dairy Show of London, have ever been brought over to this country. We need just such a dairy cow as she there is noted to be. Some thousands of them are wanted in this State at the present time. There is plenty of room for them and the Jerseys also

AN AMERICAN BREED OF CATTLE.

It is not generally known that a genune American breed of cattle has been stablished on this continent. The cattle of the States, from whatever source hey may have emanated, have been reewed or reinforced from time to time with importations, mostly from Great Britain but also to some extent from the atinent. The blood of the animals hus brought into the States has been so distributed that there are no cattle now to be found among us without a measure I it. In all these years no extended effort has been made to retain without intermixture, any family of this home bred stock, save alone the already established breeds brought over from the other side of the Atlantic.

Those of us who have occasionally fixed up somewhat with Provincial agriculture have heard more or less of the "French Canadian cattle," and their These are a race of cattle found among the French population in



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